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The "S. KHANDALLA, 2,039 Tons, 291 H.P., Commander G. Wm. Wicks, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 1st June 1876, a 4 P.M.

Leaves BOMBAY	June. 1	Leaves Tuticorin	June. 9
„ Ratnagherry	2	„ Colombo	10
„ Vingorla	2	„ Galle	11
„ Goa	3	„ Negapatam	14
„ Carwar	3	„ Madras	16
„ Mangalore	4	„ Coconada	18
„ Cannanore	5	„ Visagapatam	19
„ Tellicherry	5	„ Bimlipatam	20
„ Calicut	6	„ Calingapatam	20
„ Cochin	7	„ Gopalpore	20
„ Naraket	7	„ False Point	21
„ Cochin	7	Arrives CALCUTTA	22
„ Alleppey	7		

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamer on this line in one or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

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W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

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The S. S. COMMILLA, 871 Tons, 140 H. P., Commander J. C. Sharp, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 26th May 1876, at 4 P.M.

	May.		June
Leaves BOMBAY	26	Leaves BUSREH	14
„ Kurrachee	30	„ Mahomerah	14
„ Gwader	June 1	„ Fao	14
„ Jask	4	„ Bushire	16
„ Bunder Abbas	4	„ Linga	19
„ Linga	6	„ Bunder Abbas	21
„ Bushire	9	„ Muscat	23
„ Fao	10	„ Kurrachee	27
„ Mahomerah	10	Arrives BOMBAY	30
Arrives BUSREH	11		

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The S.S. COMMILLA, 871 Tons, 140 H. P., Commander J. C. Sharp, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 26th May 1876, at 4 P.M.

The S. S. AKOLA, 877 Tons, 190 H. P., Commander T. H. Fearn, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 29th May 1876, at 2 P.M., calling at Veraval, Porebunder, Mangrole, and Cutch Mandvie.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

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(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
Aden	£22	£15	£4	Without Food.
Suez	36	23	8	
Port Said	36	24	9	
Messina	50	34	14	Including Wines.
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles	52	35	14-10	

Children under 3 years—free of charge. Children not above 10 years—half fare.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY:—

AUSTRALIA to sail on THURSDAY, 1st June 1876.
SUMATRA to sail on SATURDAY, 1st July 1876.
BATAVIA to sail on TUESDAY, 1st August 1876.
AUSTRALIA to sail on FRIDAY, 1st September 1876.
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All Steamers of this Company have large First and Second class accommodation; and always carry a Doctor and a Stewardess on board.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

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Bombay, May 1876. No. 9, Hummum Street.

HALL LINE OF STEAMERS.
BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.

S. S. BRANKSOME HALL, to sail about		27th May.	
„ CALDWALL HALL,	„	5th July.	
„ THRAVEHAM HALL,	„	2nd August.	
„ BRANKSOME HALL,	„	23rd August.	
„ CITY OF BALTIMORE,	„	16th September.	

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Bombay, 11th May 1876.

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Bombay, 22nd May 1876.

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Vessels.	Captains.	Tons.	H.P.	May. 1876.
CEYLON	G. S. Brooks	3111	450	26th—Suez, &c.
GWALIOR	J. C. Babot	3725	450	2nd—Southampton.
GERLONG	C. Fraser	1338	250	9th—Suez, &c.
AUSTRALIA	J. S. Murray	3863	600	16th—Southampton.
THAVANCORE	W. B. Andrews	1900	350	23rd—Suez, &c.
NIZAM	A. E. Barlow	3715	450	30th—Southampton.

Passengers are booked to Malta, Gibraltar and Southampton by every Mail. The Southampton Steamers proceed to that port direct; but by the alternate Steamers Passengers change vessels at Suez.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but proceed by rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon, on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon, at 3 P.M. precisely, on the day of sailing.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 1st May 1876.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On MONDAY, the 29th May 1876, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S.S. MONGOLIA, Captain A. Coleman, (2,833 Tons and 530 H. P.), will be despatched as above, carrying H.M.'s Mails and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged the Company's Office before noon, on FRIDAY, the 26th May 1876.

GEORGE F. HENRY,
Bombay, 15th May 1876. Superintendent.

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On SATURDAY, the 27th May, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steamship CHINA, 2,016 Tons, and 400 H.P., Captain J. Orman, will be despatched as above, calling at Galle.

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EUROPA	2677	464	22nd April.	29th April.	14th June.
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Bombay, 27th April 1876

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THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (LIMITED), will despatch the S. S. PUTTIALLA, 840 Tons, 130 H.P., Commander J. L. Phirell, as above (with liberty to call at Goal on SATURDAY, the 27th May at Noon. She will connect at Aden with the Company's regular Red Sea Steamer and will carry cargo for Hodeida, Jeddah, Suez and other ports.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

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Bombay, 18th May 1876.

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BOMBAY TO SOUTHAMPTON.
TO SAIL POSITIVELY 26TH OR 27TH MAY.

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THE attention of intending Passengers to England is particularly called to this fine new Steamer which sails positively on the 27th instant for Liverpool.

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Rates of Passage-money (exclusive of Wines and Spirits, which can be had on board at moderate prices) as under:—

To	Cabin.	Deck with food.
To Trieste	£40 0	£12 0
To Port Said	£30 0	£13 2
To Suez	£26 0	£12 5
To Aden	£17 0	£ 6 12

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Suit No. 627 of 1875.

DOONGERSEY GANGJEE, of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant, residing at Vadachee Gadee, outside the Fort ..... } Plaintiff.

vs.

MOOLJEE VISSRAM, also of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant, residing at Vadachee Gadee, outside the Fort ..... } Defendant.

It is hereby proclaimed and notified that on MONDAY, the 29th day of June next, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon (unless sooner disposed of by virtue of a Warrant for sale of immoveable property issued on the 5th day of February last in the above suit) will be put up FOR SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION on the premises the undermentioned IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY of the abovenamed Defendant.

Whereas by a Prohibitory Order, dated the sixteenth day of December 1-75, issued in pursuance of the HONOURABLE SIR CHARLES SARGENT, Knight, dated the sixteenth day of December 1875, the following lands and premises were attached, namely. All that piece or parcel of Government ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate in Old Town, in Doonerry Jao de Sousa Street, without the Fort walls of Bombay, and bounded as follows:—On the East by the house of Dhunjee Edjee, on the West by the said Doongry Jao Street, on the North by the house of Lillaher Narroo, and on the South by the house of Purshotum Jairaz, containing by admeasurement One Hundred and Fifty-three and One-ninth square yards, and assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 611 and by the Collector of Assessment under No. 36, in the registration sub-district of Bhoolesh war. It was ordered that the Defendant should pay to the Plaintiff the sum of Rupees Six Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety-five Annas Twelve and Pies Six for debt and the costs of this Suit when taxed and simple interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum upon the amount of judgment from the date of the said Decree until payment.

The sale will extend only to the Right, Title and Interest of the said Defendant, in the above specified property.

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For further information apply at the Office of the Sheriff of Bombay.

THOMAS BLANEY,
Sheriff of Bombay.

Messrs. HEARN AND CLEVELAND,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.
Bombay, Sheriff's Office, 25th May 1876.

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CASH PRICES.

	Rs. a.		Rs. a.		Rs. a.
Deck Suits	10 to 16 8	Travelling Caps	3 8	Gents' Dressing Cases	11 8
Overland Suits	25 0	Travelling Seal-skin Caps	6-8 to 8 8	Soiled Linen Bags, all sizes	5 to 6 0
Warm Suits	30 0	Travelling Hats	3-8 to 4 8	Cash Bags	6 12
Overcoats and Inverness Capes, from	35 0	Cardigan Jackets, very warm	4-0-8 to 12 8	Courier do	4-8 to 12 8
Dressing Gowns	9 to 20 0	Tiffin Baskets fitted 16 to 22	8	Money Belts	2-8 to 6 8
Pyjamas	3 0	Sheets, per pair	9 8	Sovereign Boxes	3 to 4 8
Oxford Shirts, Collar attached	5 8	Pillow Cases, each 1-4 to 2	8	Tiffin Baskets fitted 16 to 22	8
White do.	4 8	Blankets, each 10	8	Air Pillows	5 0
French Cambric do., Collar attached	4 8	Long Rugs or Scotch Maude, 10 to 15	0	Folding Camp Bedsteads	32 0
English Cambric do	4 0	Ditto or Quilt	5 8	Cork Mattrasses	19 8
Best Shrunk Flannel do.	8 0	Ladies' Long Wool Shawls From 22	0	Cotton do.	15 0
Silk and Wool do	8 8	Portmanteaus or Overland Trunks 12-8 to 23	0	Ring Straps	1-8 to 2 8
Spun Silk do	11 0	Solid Leather Do	49 0	Waterproof Coats	10 0
Gents' Under Vests 2-8 to	5 0	Extra Large do	75 0	60-Inch Drab Twill Waterproof Sheeting	6 0
Bathing Drawers	2 0	Black Ride Bags	11 8	42-Inch White Waterproof	4 8
Gents' Under Pants	4 to 8 0	Extra large do	24 0	Linen Pocket Collars	0 12
Silk Suspenders	2 8	Gladstone Bags	35 0	Linen Collars doz.	6 0
Gents' Cotton Socks, doz.	8 8	Ladies' Hand Bags	7 8	Cambric Handkerchiefs	5 0
Warm do.	15 8	Travelling Writing Cases fitted	11 4	Warm Gloves	1 8
Ladies' Under Vests 4-8 to	8 0	Gents' Bags, fitted complete	72 0	Mits	1 8
Ladies' White Cotton Hose doz.	13 8	Ladies' Carriage Bags, fitted complete	56 8	Mufflers	2 12
Ladies' Heather Merino Hose doz.	9 8			Pom. Scarf	1 0
Children's White Cotton Socks, from doz. 8 to	12 8			Sail-rs' Knots 1-8 to	3 0
Heather Merino do 6-8 to	12 8			Windsors for Bow or Ring	4 0
Ladies' Sun and Travelling Hats, from 6 to	10 0			Gents' Canvas Shoes	2 12
				Gents' Slippers	2 8
				Ladies' Shoes	2 12
				China Bath Slippers	1 0

	Rs. a.		Rs. a.
Filter for Travellers covered Wicker, from	11 4	Hair Brushes and Combs in Pigskin case	9-8 to 12 8
Pocket Filters	2 12	Razors, Ivory Handles	3 8
Air Tight Uniform cases	23 0	Do. Strops	3-8 to 5 1
Sponge Bags	1 5	Nail Scissors	1-8 to 1 12
Sponges	3 8	Brier Root Pipes, in Cases	3 to 5 0
Soap Boxes	1 8	Pocket Pouches	1 8
Smelling Salts, per bottle	2 8	Champagne Taps	1 8
Aromatic Vinegar, per bot	2 0	Pocket Knives	2 8
Tooth Brush Guards	0 10	Marine Soap, 3 cakes for	0 12
Do. Brushes	0 10	Shaving do. Stick	1 0
Nail Do	0 12	Lloyd's Eau de Cologne	1 8
Hair Brushes and Combs in Pigskin case	9-8 to 12 8	Oriental Tooth Paste	1 8
Razors, Ivory Handles	3 8	Fragrant Floriline	1 8
Do. Strops	3-8 to 5 1	Overland Chairs, best	3 12
Nail Scissors	1-8 to 1 12	Beach do.	2 12
Brier Root Pipes, in Cases	3 to 5 0	Luggage Labels, per doz.	0 12
Pocket Pouches	1 8		
Champagne Taps	1 8		
Pocket Knives	2 8		
Marine Soap, 3 cakes for	0 12		
Shaving do. Stick	1 0		
Lloyd's Eau de Cologne	1 8		
Oriental Tooth Paste	1 8		
Fragrant Floriline	1 8		
Overland Chairs, best	3 12		
Beach do.	2 12		
Luggage Labels, per doz.	0 12		

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For size send number of Inches round Forehead.

REGULATION HELMETS.

	Cash. Rs. a.	Credit. Rs. a.
Cork on Felt covered White Drill	14 8	16 0
Extra Quality, very strong	16 0	18 0
Extra Quality covered White Doe	20 0	23 0
Treble gilt Spikes and Chains, for the above.		

SHIKAR HELMETS,
ASQUITH & CO.'S INTRODUCTION.

	Cash. Rs. a.	Credit. Rs. a.
Covered with Tan Flax, wide Brim, bound Leather, highly recommended for Mofussil Wear	15 0	17 0
Covered with White Drill, the same shape	13 8	15 0
Extra Quality, double layers of Cork to resist the Hottest Weather	16 0	18 0
Drab Hunting Helmets, a light Hat for the Hills or early morning Wear	8 8	10 0
The "Teral Hat." Best quality made	18 0	20 0

DRAB FELT HELMETS.

	Cash. Rs. a.	Credit. Rs. a.
Fitted with Patent Easy Inner Band	18 0	20 0
The same make with raised felt outside Turban, a splendid protection	18 0	20 0

LADIES RIDING HELMETS.

	Cash. Rs. a.	Credit. Rs. a.
Drab Felt, Alpine Shape, Lined with Cork	13 8	15 0
The "Rink," a light Helmet covered with white Merino, the latest of novelty	13 8	15 0

PITH HELMETS.
BEST CALCUTTA MANUFACTURE.

	Cash. Rs. a.	Credit. Rs. a.
Ladies and Children's in several pretty Shapes	4 8	5 8
Gent's Shooting, with straight brim in Front. These have been specially made to order, are Thick, Light, and are warranted Solid	5 8	6 8

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

THURSDAY EVENING, 25TH MAY 1876.

REUTER's report of the Liverpool Cotton Market yesterday is quite but steady, which is presumably meant to convey a slightly better feeling than the previous day, but if so it is directly at variance with private advices, which report, if anything, increased depression. The sales were only 8,000 bales and on the spot Mid. Uplands was quoted 1/16d. per lb. lower, while to arrive Good Fair Dhollera with the G. F. clause, July-August delivery, is quoted at 4½d. and Fair Omra with the Fair clause April-May shipment Cape at 4¼d. per lb.

From New York yesterday's telegrams report no alteration in cotton prices. The receipts at the U. S. ports to date are as follows :—

	1876	1875	1874
Wednesday's Receipts.... ..	4,000	2,000	4,000
Five days' do.	12,000	11,000	16,000
Total since 1st Sept	4,001,000	3,376,000	3,656,000

Piece Goods in Manchester continue very dull, but no change in values is advised. Coffee in London is steady at an improvement of 1s. per cwt in Mid Plantation Ceylon. Cocoanut Oil is 10s. per ton lower ; Cochin unaltered. Bombay Linseed is still quoted at 46s. 6d., but Ferozepore Rapeseed is 1s. per quarter higher.

Consols yesterday were quoted at 96, a decline of ⅜. In all probability the fall is due to political influences, at all events money cannot be the cause as a further payment of £140,000 went into the Bank of England yesterday, making £495,000 so advised since the last return.

Bar Silver is at last quoted at 52d. per oz. in London, and we hear of nothing that would indicate any likelihood of this being a stopping point. People now canvas the probability of 50d. as freely as they did 55d. six months ago, and really the end of the decline seems no nearer now than it did then.

We have had a very quiet feeling in business here to-day, at least in such matters as required the intervention of the Banks. As usual they have availed themselves of a slight pretext to close for two whole days, and to-day also has been little better than a half holiday owing to most of the bankers having left town by the early trains. The frequency with which these holidays are now being declared is a great disturbance to business, especially at a time like the present which is really the busiest part of the season, and we think the merchants have good grounds for taking joint action with a view to some distinct agreement being come to on the subject.

In STERLING EXCHANGE there has been no alteration to-day of any kind. The transactions have not been large, and the Banks have continued quite as willing buyers as sellers. The further decline in Silver noticed above has had no effect on the market, the movement having been previously discounted, but any quotation under 52d. per oz. would, we think, exercise a marked influence. We quote :—

Bank Bills on demand .....1s. 8d.	per Rupee	
Do. 6 months' sight.....1s. 8¼d.	,,	
Credits, 3 months' sight ...1s. 8 5-16d.	,,	
Documentary, 3 months' sight 1s. 8 11-32d.	,,	

On Calcutta we still quote par at 1/16d. premium ; 60 days' sight at ¼ per cent discount.

GOVERNMENT PAPER continues dull with a downward tendency. To-day's closing rates are :—Fours, Rs. 101¼ ; Fours-and-a-half, Rs. 101½ to ¾ ; Fives-and-a-half, Rs. 103¾.

THE SHARE MARKET keeps up the previous activity in Spinning and Weaving shares which again show a general advance of Rs. 15 to Rs. 30 per share. Up to a certain point this advance has been to some extent justifiable, but it is now assuming a purely speculative movement as may be seen from the fact of the advance being greatest in some of the worst paying Companies, and there is therefore good grounds for doubting its permanency. Bank of Bombays are firm at 46¼ per cent. premium. Colaba Land shares have advanced Rs. 35, and Bombay Burmah Trading Rs. 15 per share.

COTTON to-day has been in fair request at yesterday's figures and a considerable business has been done chiefly in the lower grades of Dholleras. The dealers are now actively engaged in clearing their stocks but the quantity kept here over the monsoon will not be large and will be restricted mostly to such kinds as are wanted by the local Spinning Companies. The receipts yesterday were 6,116 bales, making 32,492 bales for the six days.

FREIGHTS by steamer show increased dulness and at the close we quote Liverpool at £1-16-3 to £1-17-6 per ton. By Cape the tendency is firmer, a considerable business having been done by Iron ships at £2 per ton.

PIECE GOODS are still in very fair request in the Bazaar and clearances are progressing on a full average scale at about former prices. From first hands there has been a considerable enquiry for White Mulls, Jaconets and Dorias, but so far without leading to a large business.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Number of Shares.	Nomi. Value p. sh.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Banks.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
200,000	100	all	8 p.ct.	Agra Bank	100
125,000	1,000	all	10 do.	Bank of Bengal	1,400xd
20,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	Bank of Bombay New..	732½
5,950	1,000	all	8 do.	Bank of Madras.....	1,200
80,000	100	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bank. of L. & China	300
40,000	221½	all	6 p.ct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank.	800
40,000	80	all	5 p.ct.	Chartered Bank of India	195
40,000	250	12½	5 do.	and China	107 exd
80,000	250	all	10 do.	National Bank of India.. Orient'l Bank.....	480

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	1,000	all	60	Colaba Land Co	1,165
7,500	150	all	...	Prem Land & Pier Co. Ld	80
1,750	5,000	1,000	20 p.a.	Mazagon Land	550
4,000	1,400	all	10 do.	Fort Canning Land Company, Limited.....	225

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

...	430	215	5 p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	267
...	430	103-14	do.	Do. New 430 Shares.....	198
...	430	85-7½	do.	Ditto	72
...	430	21-13-1	do.	Ditto	32
...	100	1,000	do.	B.B. & C.I. Railway Co.	1,100
...	418	100-9-18	do.	Do. New Shares	135

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

6 x	1,250	all	50 p.c.	Alexandra Spinning.....	1,150
500	150	all	...	Alliance Spinning	2,575
2,000	1,000	all	...	Bhowanigur M. & F. Co.	1,450
1,000	...	all	50 p.c.	Bombay United	1,160
...	...	150	10 p.c.	Bro ch Mills	165
...	...	...	...	Colaba Spinning.....	850
...	...	...	100 p.c.	Dhurumsey Spinning ..	1,060
...	...	...	...	Fleming S. W. Co.....	1,000
...	...	...	...	East Eastern	1,170
...	...	...	...	Hemp & Jute Co.....	270
...	...	...	...	...	1,100
...	...	...	...	...	1,060
1,000	...	...	...	...	975
1,000	...	...	...	...	350
4,000	...	...	...	...	370
600	1,000	...	...	...	1,000
2,500	1,000	250	...	...	350
110	1,000	1,000	100	...	1,000
500	1,000	250	125 p.c.	...	350

* Per share for the year.

PRESS COMPANIES.

180	5,000	2,850	200 p.c.	Akbar Cotton Press Co..	1,450
200	2,000	1,000	50 p.c.	Albert Co. Cotton Press Co.	730
100	500	all	18 p.c.	Albert Ginning Co.....	650
200	1,000	1,000	...	Alfred Mills Co.	1,105
1,000	12,000	11,000	425 p.c.	Bombay Press Co.	9,000
175	1,000	all	60	Bellary	790
156	500	all	65 p.c.	Berar Company (New)..	540
1,000	1,000	all	40 p.c.	Bombay Press Co.	985
400	250	all	64 p.c.	Broach Cotton Co.....	90
400	1,500	all	75 p.c.	Carwar Co.....	900
200	250	all	...	Coconada Press Co.....	15
1,880	1,000	all	70 p.c.	Colaba Press Co	3,100
600	200	all	Nil.	Dholeera P. & G. Co....	150
1,000	1,000	all	120 p.c.	Esu-India Press Co.....	850
150	8,500	all	Rs.200	Fort Pr ss Co.....	1,400
800	2,000	2,000	15 p.c.	Framji Cowasji Press Company	300
200	500	all	100 p.c.	French Press Co.....	425
1,150	...	1,400	100 p.c.	Imperial Press Co.....	410
8,125	400	250	45 p.c.	Mirasil Press & Ginning Co.....	345
800	2,000	2,000	...	Nicol Press Manufacturing Co. Ld.....	1,125
120	1,500	250	p.c.	Prince of W. Press	700
200	500	all	100 p.c.	Sassoon's Press Co.....	625
200	500	150	45 p.c.	Scinde Press Co.	340
100	1,000	750	...	Scinde & Punjaub Cotton Press Co., Limited.....	1,025
150	850	all	12 p.c.	Victoria Cotton Gin and Press Co	600xd
600	1,000	...	125 p.c.	Volkart's United Press Co.	880

* For share, for the year.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1,000	19,500	1500	240 p.c.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	1,575
1,000	80	all	4 p.ct.	Bombay Gas Company.	60
200	1,000	all	...	Bombay Saw Mill Co.....	700
3500	500	300	30 p.c.	Landing & Shipping Co. of Kurrachee, Ld..	210
4,150	200	100	8 p.c.	Malabar Company, Ld..	70
5,000	50	all	4 p.c.	Mechanics' Build'g Co...	22
1,000	500	all	30 p.c.	Thacker & Co.....	375 ex d
...	250	all	40 p.c.	Viegas Patent Slip	32

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE S. S. POTOMAC, 1,501 tons, Captain Loudan, sailed yesterday for Marseilles, via the Suez Canal, with a cargo of 600 bales cotton, 2,250 cwts. gingelly seed, 4,500 cwts. groundnuts, and 37,306 cwts. wheat.

THE S. S. BORDER CHIEFTAIN, 990 tons, Captain A. Nicol, arrived in harbour on the 24th instant from Cardiff, (April 22nd), calling at Malta and Port Said via the Suez Canal, with a cargo of 1,579 tons coals. The vessel is consigned to the Captain.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s s. s. GOA, 1,281 tons, Captain J. Aveen, sailed yesterday for Coast and Calcutta, with a general cargo and the following passengers.—For Vingorla.—Mrs. F. R. Ford, and Mrs. Peaston and three children. For Goa.—Mr. Miller. For different ports.—Six deck passengers.

THE s. s. PERLWAN, 101 tons, Captain J. DeCosta, arrived in harbour on the 24th instant from Coast and Goa (May 22nd), with a general cargo and ten first class and one hundred and thirty-five deck passengers. She sailed yesterday for same ports with a general cargo and nine deck passengers.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s s. s. KHANDALLA, 1,318 tons, Captain G. W. Wicks, arrived in harbour yesterday from Coast and Calcutta, with a general cargo and the following passengers.—Mr. Craig, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Flower, Captain Joss, Mr. Andrew, Mr. Chisholm Mr. Gigson, Mr. and Mrs. Hexton, two natives gentleman, Mr. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Frere, Mr. Woodward, one Corporal, one Private, and two hundred and ninety-one deck passengers.

ARRIVALS.

May.	Vessels.	Commanders	From.
24	Border Chieftain(s)	Nicol	Cardiff, Apr 22.
	Perlwan (s)	DeCosta	Goa, May 22.
25	Khandalla (s)	Wicks	Calcutta, Apr 28.

DEPARTURES.

May.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destinations.
25	Goa,(s)	Avern	Coast & Calcutta.
	Potomac (s)	London	Marseilles.
	Perlwan (s)	DeCosta	Coast & Goa.

The Steamer China, to Australia, &c., was entered outfor loading yesterday.

CALCUTTA.

May.
ARRIVALS.
21 City of Poonah (s)...Miller.....Liverpool, April 8.
Meinam (s) .....Moreau .....Point de Galle, May 15.
Grand Duke.....Ward .....Aden, April 19.

May. DEPARTURES.
21 Oorya (s) ....
Alfred Michel..... ....

DAILY IMPORTS.—MAY 25.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Trinacria s—8 cases leather belting, Joseph Scares.
European s—550 bundles sheet iron, Heptcola Shaik Adom and Co.
Celia s—10 packages hardware, Esmailjee Essoobhoy ; 300 pates iron, Heptcola Shaik Adom and Co ; 57 cases gin, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee.

FROM LONDON.

Cornwallis—41 packages hardware, Nuthoobhoy Jeevajee.
Timor s—125 cases brandy, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee ; 300 casks green copperas, The Agra Bank ; 15 casks fuse, Dawoodbhoy Peerbhoy ; 6 cases paper, Hajee Joomee Hajee Isack.
Galatea s—135 kegs iron nails, J M Moola.

FROM GENOA.

Australia s—3 hogsheads claret and 7 gross corks, D S Kemp and Co.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Australia s—34 boxes brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer and Sons.

VESSELS IN BOMBAY HARBOUR.

FOR LONDON.

1284 Star of Germany, Wilson—Finlay, Muir & Co.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

1269 British Army, Wilkinson—R. Steuart & Co.
1402 Britannia, Hamilton—W. Nicol & Co.
1900 Cape Comorin, Haswell—W. & A. Graham & Co.
1558 Circassian, Clarke—Ewart, Latham & Co.
1011 Ellen Bates, Thornton—Edward Bates & Co.
1900 European (s), Sibthorpe W. Nicol & Co.
1625 Hospodar, Whitmore—Knoop & Co.
1400 Khersonese, Chawman—Sir C. Forbes & Co.
1039 Khorasan, Connell—Killick, Nixon & Co.
1243 Mary Stenhouse, Hedgecok—Edward Bates & Co.
1703 Persia, Duncan—Sir C. Forbes & Co.
1496 Stornaway, Storm—Finlay, Muir & Co.
1385 Sierra Morena, Kennedy—W. Nicol & Co.

FOR LIVERPOOL VIA CANAL.

1347 Branksome Hall (s), Tillson—W. & A. Graham & Co.
1666 Celia (s), Holmes—Ewart, Latham & Co.
353 Theodore (s), Harris—
1022 Vixen (s), O'Keefe—D. Sassoon & Co.
1097 Zampa (s), Lawson—Ewart, Latham & Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

1440 Timor (s), Brown—W. Nicol & Co.

FOR FALMOUTH.

861 Lauderdale, Bice—Sir Chas. Forbes & Co.

FOR DUNKERQUE.

1296 Ga'atea (s), Baker—Sir Charles Forbes & Co.
1157 Monte Moro (s), Irving—Finlay, Muir & Co.

FOR UNITED KINGDOM OR CONTINENT.

1119 Astronomer, Edgar—W. & A. Graham & Co.
1198 Cartvale, Taylor—Sir Chas. Forbes & Co.
1150 Eurova, Thisen—N. Manockjee & Co.
1350 Hoogkie (Sc.)Scott—W. Nicol Co.
713 Maitland, Fope—Wallace & Co.
1226 Wm. McGilvery, Nickels—Farnham & Co.

FOR HAVRE.

1309 A. S. Davis. Ford—Farnham & Co.
1395 Lucy A Nickels, Nicke's—Farnham & Co.
1150 Winona, Bray—Farnham & Co.

FOR VENICE.

1140 Ceylon (s), Orman—Mails, 29th May.
1125 Geelong (s), Fraser—Mails, 9th June.

FOR TRIESTE.

1150 Lord Eslington (s)—Volkart Brothers.
2751 Sestos (s), Tilmouth.
918 Zerbino (s), Dewdney—W. Nicol & Co.

FOR GENOA.

1190 Australia (s), Bozzoni—C Grondona.

FOR CALCUTTA.

1322 Bulwark, Seaton—Ritchie, Steuart & Co.
834 Bushire Merchant, McGregor.
964 Gainsborough, Peston—Ritchie, Steuart & Co.

FOR AUSTRALIA.

1249 China (s), Brooks—P. & O. Co.
1253 Golconda (s), Anderson—P. & O. Co.

FOR COCONADA.

1102 Seaforth, Rowley—Finlay, Muir & Co.

FOR TONDEMANAAR.

1164 Alpine, Dodds—Finlay, Muir & Co.

FOR MOULMEIN.

923 Staffa, Burns—Muncherjee Nusserwanjee.

FOR HONGKONG.

1385 Mongolia (s), Coleman—Mails, 29th May.

FOR PERSIAN GULF.

707 Koina (s), Morrison—Exss bin Califa.

FOR ZANZIBAR AND LONDON, &c.

494 Puttialla (s), Shiell—B. I. S. N. Co.

FOR MOZAMBIQUE.

15 Algofar, Nacoda.

FOR COCHIN.

51 Keerata Rooden, Nacoda.
10 Mahi, Nacoda.

FOR BREMERHAFEN

668 Electra, Thomson—Gaddum & Co.
378 Iona, Kilgour—Gaddum & Co.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

1427 Breadalbane, Cowell—Finlay, Muir & Co.

FOR P. GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

5550 Comutilla (s), Sharp—B. I. S. N. Co.

FOR MAURITIUS.

618 Fathe Salem, Machon.

NOT FIXED.

1348 Ashgrove, Mcfarlane—N. Manockjee & Co.
990 Border Chieftain (s), Nicol.
948 Cumballa, Bonnifas—Ewart, Latham & Co.
1208 Camperdown, Miller—Ewart, Latham & Co.
1279 Dunsclaw, Dow—Finlay, Muir & Co.
1144 Edward Kidder, Nelson—Farnham & Co.
1457 Erin's Star, McFee.
1079 John Clark, Pendleton—Nusserwanjee Manockjee & Co.
1470 Knight Companion, Roach—Sir C. Forbes & Co.
1318 Khandalla (s), Wicks—B. I. S. N. Co.
899 Marlborough, Sampson—Volkart Brothers.
971 Mindora, ...
1329 Princess Alexandra, McKenzie—Finlay, Muir & Co.
3784 Peshawar (s), White—P. & O. Co.
1627 Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, Finlay, Muir & Co.
1064 Walmer Castle—Sir C. Forbes & Co.

COUNTRY TRADERS

252 Africa, Ranchaupt—Tharia Topun.
611 Mount Stuart Elphinstone, Inglis—M. Nusserwanjee.

ROYAL NAVY AND BOMBAY MARINE,

874 Abyssinia (s) 4, James—[Harbour Defence.]
1081 Daphne (s) 5, Foote.
523 Kwangtung (s) 6, Powell.
1107 Magdala (s) 4, Palmer—(Harbour Defence.)
Rifleman (s) 4, Clayton.

DAILY EXPORTS.—MAY 25.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Khersonese—10 bales hemp, Jethra Purootum.
Circassian, do—1,800 bales cotton, Feel, Cassels and Co ; 100 bales cotton, Motee Jetha.
Hospodar—759 bales cotton, Lyon and Co ; 200 bales cotton ; 41 bales twist, Currimbhoy Ebrum ; 105 bales cotton, N J Abram ; 70 bales cotton, Goolam Hoosun Jan Mahomed ; 7 bales twist, Humed Oomer ; 233 boxes bars silver, The C M Bank of I L and China ; 100 cwts sandal wood, Jairaibhoy Peerbhoy ; 38 bales twist, Ebram Noordin and Co ; 91 bales cotton, Hajee Esmail Hajee Habib ; 10 bales twist, Beacherdass Ambaidass ; 16 chests opium, Cursetjee Bomanjee and Co ; 152 chests opium, E D Sassoon ; 49 chests opium, N J Abraham ; 76 chests opium, David Sassoon and Co.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Mongolia s—13 bales twist, H Cowasjee ; 55 bales twist, Forbes and Co.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—MAY 23.

FOX, Conductor, Bombay Sappers and Miners, on sick leave, from Poorundor.

MAY 24.

Stevens, Lieut Col, Bombay Cavalry, on leave, from Mhow.
Cartwright, Captain, Bombay 83rd Regt, on leave, from Ahmedabad.

DEPARTURE.—MAY 25.

Greene, Surg, Bombay A M D, on duty, to Deesa.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.
Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters,
Poona, 24th May 1876.

Instructions have been received from the Adjt Genl, Horse Guards, that the following alteration is to be made in para 8, Sec 21 of the Queen's Regulations and Orders for the Army :—

Line 7 ; omit the words "from head quarters" and insert "by the Commissary Genl Royal Arsenal Woolwich."

Under instructions from the Horse Guards War Office, it is intimated that the undermentioned Officers have been temporarily posted to the Batteries of the 6th Bde R A as noted :—

Lt J E H Orr, to No 1 Battery ; Lt W A Smith and Lt G H Bittrolff, to No 2 Battery ; Lt C J Lukin, to No 3 Battery ; Lt W J Hicks, to No 5 Battery ; Lt E A Burrows, Lt A Chambers and Lt H J Croft, to No 5 Battery ; Lt C H Crofton, to No 6 Battery ; Lt C C Hich, 9th Bde R A, has been posted to the Depot Bde R A.

The C-in-C is pleased to make the following appointments :—

3rd (Queen's own) Regt L C—Lt H P Young, 2nd Wing Subn 20th N I to be Offg 2nd Sqdn Subn, vice Lt James proceeded on furlough.

1st Regt 3ind Horse—Lt G F Francis, 39th Foot, a candidate for the S C, to Officiate as 2nd Wing Subn, vice Lt Fuller appointed to the Commissariat Dept.

12th Regt N I—Lt G A Macdrtire, 108th Foot, a candidate for for the S C, to officiate as 2nd Wing Subn, vice Lt Fuller appointed to the Commissariat Dept.

30th Regt N I—Lt C F Baugh, S C, to be 2nd Wing Subn.

Maj H W Harris is allowed to resign, at his own request, his appointment as 3rd Sqdn officer 1st Regt L C, and is placed on general duty, Mhow.

The undermentioned Sub Lts will attend the Long Course of Instruction which will commence at Poona on the 15th June next and are directed to report themselelves to Capt Farrington, the Chief Instructor by that date.

Officers from out stations will travel expeditiously at the public expense.

3rd Hussars—Sub-Lt H C Jackson.
7th Foot (2nd Batln)—Sub-Lt H D M Minchin (s).
15th Foot (2nd Batln)—Sub Lt D W C Harrison (s).
56th Foot—Sub Lt A C E Harrison (s), R Bell (s) and T Stock (s)
66th Foot—Sub-Lt M E Rayner (s).
98th Foot—Sub-Lt A de B V Paget and H S Fitzgerald.
33rd Foot—Sub-Lt J W H Anson.
107th Foot—Sub-Lt H C Gibbings.
(s). Subject to passing the preliminary examination prescribed in para : 32 A, Section 4, Queen's Regulations.

The undermentioned officers are directed to join the Classes for Garrison Instruction which will be formed at Poona and Mhow on the 15th Proximo.

Officers from out Stations will travel expeditiously at the public expense.

The Poona Class.

2nd Foot (1st Batln)—Lt A J Adams.
7th Foot (2nd Batln)—Lt H J H Dive.
1st Lt Cavy—Lt E L Elliot.
3rd Lt Cavy—Capt M W Stevens.
20th N I—Capt W S Hore.
21st N I—Lt R S Simpson.
27th N L I—Lt W Mackay.
28th N I—Capt F C Singleton.

The Mhow Class.

33rd Foot—Lt A W Ancketill.
1st Fd Hors—Lt R H Bramhall and F Abbott.
Central India Horse—Capt J Colledge.
22nd N I—Lt A Smith
23rd N L I—Capt J T Watling.
29th N I—Capt G F Bryant.

Under the provisions of para 3, Section 26, Bombay Army Regulations, H E the C-in-C has been pleased to confer on the undermentioned Non-Commissioned officers of the Bombay Unattached List, the Medal for Long Service and good conduct without gratuity :—

Ordnance Dept—Serjts William Smith, James Allen and Francis Perks.

Barrack Dept—Serjt George Woodward.

The undermentioned officers and Warrant Officer have leave of absence :—

3rd Hussars—Paymaster (Major) F W Lukin, to Mussooree, from date of departure, to 30th Sept 1876, on private affairs.

Royal Arty—Major T Mahon (No 2 Batty 6th Bde) from 30th March 1876, to 29th Sept 1876, in England, on medical certificate.

83rd Foot—Major E Meurant, to remain in England, from 30th April to 30th Sept 1876, on medical certificate.

Sappers and Miners—Conductor E T Tibbs, to Bombay, from date of departure, for 30 days, on medical certificate, preparatory to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

Staff Corps—Lieut-Col S J Thorp, 2nd in Comd 28th Regt N I, from 17th Jan to 16th March 1876, to remain in Bombay, on medical certificate.

Army Medical Dept—Surgn J Fraser, MD, to remain in England from 11th April to 10th July 1876, for the recovery of his health.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

BY THE HONOURABLE THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.
(Bombay Government Gazette, May 25.)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Depy Surgn-Genl T B Johnstone, M D, Indn Medl Dept, is allowed furlough to Europe for six months, on medical certificate, under Rule 9 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

Maj J Hills, R E, Comdt, Sappers and Miners, is allowed furlough to Europe for two years, from date of departure in the current month, under Rule 9 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

Capt J McK Hartigan, 1st Wing Subn, 5th N L I, is allowed leave, on medical certificate, to proceed to Europe for the purpose of appearing before a Medical Board there.

Col J A Ballard, C B, Royal (Bombay) Engrs, Mint Master, Bombay, is allowed furlough to Europe for 223 days, under Rule 9 of the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

Hospital Asst Dadajee Nathajee Silke having passed the prescribed examination, to be an Assistant Surgn on the establishment, in accordance with Art 84 of G G O No. 392, dated 17th June 1868.

Surgn-Maj J O'Nial, in medical charge, Deolali Depôt, is appointed to act as Depy Surgn-Genl, British Medical Service, during the absence of Depy Surgn-Genl Fasson, or until further orders.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Lt W P Kennedy, Actg Asst Mag, Aden, is appointed *ex-officio* an Asst to the Political Resident at Aden.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Lt C W H Sealy, Cant Mag at Aden, has been appointed to act, until further orders, as Supt of the Aden Jail in addition to his other duties.

Mr A Lyon, Actg Judge and Sessions Judge of Khandesh, is allowed subsidiary leave for five days.

Lt-Col W H Mason, Cant Mag of Belgaum, is allowed privilege leave for twenty days from date of departure.

Capt H Daniell, Supt of Police, Ahmednagar, is invested with power to exercise in the four districts of Ahmednagar, Poona, Panna, and Nasik, the magisterial functions conferred on him by Govt under Act X of 1872.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Col A T Etheridge, C S I, Alienation Settlement Officer, Southern Division is allowed privilege leave of absence for three months under Sec 21 (a) Chapter 6 of the Civil Leave Code Second Edition.

Maj F J T Ross, First Class Depy Collr in Sind, having obtained furlough to Europe for two years, H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Mr W Allen Long First Class Depy Collr in Sind during his absence, or until further orders.

Mr A B Stewart to continue to act as First Asst Collr at Belgaum until the return of Mr F M Stewart.

Mr C P B Wiltshire to act as Second Asst Collr of Dharwar when Mr G Waddington reverts to his appointment of First Asst Collr of Dharwar.

Mr A Mark, Asst Supt, Southern Mahratta Country Revenue Survey, is allowed one year's furlough, on medical certificate, from the 27th inst, under Sec 3 Supplement F of the Civil Leave Code, Second Edition. Mr Mark is also allowed subsidiary leave for a period not exceeding thirty days.

Mr G A Gibson, Dist Forest Officer of Tanna, has been allowed privilege leave of absence for three months, from the 25th ultimo.

Mr Umedran Anandram, Dist Depy Collr, on special duty at Ahmedabad, is allowed privilege leave of absence from 25th May to 24th July 1876, both days inclusive.

The subsidiary leave for thirty days granted to Maj F J T Ross, First Class Depy Collr in Sind, and notified at page 346 of the "Govt Gazette" dated 13th April last, is to have effect from the 12th instead of from the 4th May 1876.

Mr A Shewan acted as Second Asst Collr of Satara from 28th March to 3rd May 1876, both days inclusive.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

The privilege leave of absence for three months granted to Mr. Lee-Warner, C S, Private Secy to H E the Govr, under date the 6th instant, is hereby cancelled, and he is granted special leave for six months under Sec 15 of the Civil Leave Code, Second Edition.

Further notice to Govt Notification dated 3rd inst, it is hereby further notified that the services of Surgn-Maj E H R Langley were placed at the disposal of H E the C-in-C from the 1st to the 8th ultimo.

It is hereby notified that Surgns-Maj E P Burrows and H T Dann respectively delivered over and received charge of the Civil Jail and Police Hospitals, and Registrarship of Marriages, Ahmednagar, on the 21st inst, before office hours.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr Charles Jones, Foreman of H M's Mint, Bombay, is allowed leave of absence for fifteen months, on medical certificate, from the 22nd inst, under Sec 3 Supplement F of the Civil Leave Code, Second Edition.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Lt J Neville, R E, is appointed to act as Ex Engr, Ahmednagar during the absence of Maj Manson, R E, on privilege leave.

Lt J Neville, R E, received charge of the Office of the Ex Engr, Ahmednagar, from M-j Manson, R E, on the forenoon 1st May 1876.

Lt H Clarke, R E, is promoted to be temporary Asst Engr, first grade, with effect from the 3rd May, vice Braham, transferred to the Municipality of Bombay.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr Bhasker B Limaye resumed charge of his duties as Depy Educational Inspr, Nasik Sub-Division, on the 2nd inst, after office hours.

Mr Govind V Karkare joined his appointment as Actg Professor of History and Political Economy in the Elphinstone College on the 7th inst, before office hours.

Surgn-Maj J T D Mackenzie delivered over charge of the duties of Professor of Surgery in the Grant Medical College to Surgn-Maj H J Blanc on the morning of the 8th inst.

Mr G G Shastri, Asst Depy Educational Inspr, acted as Depy Educational Inspr, Surat, from 17th Jany to 16th Feb 1876, both days inclusive.

NOTIFICATIONS BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF PRISONS.

Mr F Nusserwanjee, Depy Collr and Magr, and Surgn-Majr H T Dann respectively delivered over and received charge of the Ahmednagar Dist on the 21st inst, in the forenoon.

Majr F J T Ross and Mr W Foxton, Judge, Small Cause Court respectively delivered over and received charge of the Kurrachee Dist Jail on the 12th inst, in the forenoon.

NOTIFICATIONS BY THE REVENUE AND POLICE COMMISSIONER.

Mr W B Prescott deliv red over and Mr Frank Yates received charge of the Office of Asst Dist Supt of Police, Panch Mahals, in the forenoon of the 19th inst.

Rao Saheb Ksandas Bellardas, appointed Probationary Mamlatdar of Ahmed, in Broach is confirmed in that appointment.

Mr J C Trevor delivered over and Mr Chunilal Vendal received charge of the Office of Dist Coll, Broach, in the forenoon of the 11th inst.

Majr W P LeTouche, Supt of Police, Kaira, is allowed privileges leave of absence for fifteen days, from the 15th instant, under Sec 21 of the Civil Leave Code.

Mr. Bapu Parshotam deliver d over and Mr Keshavia Hiralal received charge of the Office of Hunur Depy Collr and Magr, Khandesh, in the forenoon of the 15th inst.

NOTIFICATIONS BY THE SURGEON-GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Surgn-Majr Dann, Civil Surgn, Ahmednagar, is allowed ten days' privilege leave, from date of departure, to proceed to Bombay.

DESPATCH OF INLAND MAILS FROM BOMBAY.

From the 1st June, the following revised arrangements in respect to the closing of the Inland Mails will come into force :—

The after packet, hitherto made up at the General Post Office, will be abolished, and the times for [illegible] added to the hours given in the subjoined Table.

A Post Office will be established at the Railway Station, where Letters and Papers may be posted for closing at the General Post Office, Bombay, up to 5 minutes of the departure of Trains.

No Letters or Papers can be posted in the Station Letter Box.

MAILS.	Latest hour for Posting			
	At General Post Office.		At Branch Post Offices.	At the Boree Bunder Railway Station Post Office.
	Ordinary Letters, and Papers.	Registered Letters & Parcels.		
For Bengal, N. W. Provinces, Punjab Central Provinces, Malwa, Berar, and for all Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway	4-50 P.M.	3 P.M.	3 P.M.	5-25 P.M.
For all Post Towns on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, for Poona, and Madras Presidency ; also for Ahmednuggur, Seroor, Deccan, and S. M. Country ...	1-20 P. M.	12 NOON.	11-30 A.M.	1-55 P.M.
For ditto on the B. B. and C. I. Railway for Guzerat, Kurrachee, Sind, Kattiawar, and Kutch	7-30 P. M.	4 P.M.	5-30 P.M.	...
For ditto in Southern Concan, i. e., for Pen, Nagotna, Mahad, Khed, Dapoolee, and Ratnagherry	10 A.M.	4 P.M. of previous day.	8-30 A.M.	...
For ditto on the S. E. Line of the G. I.P. Railway as far as Poona, for Urun and Panwel	5-30 A.M.	Do.	(5-30 P.M. of previous day.	...

MR. E. M. WALTON,
SURGEON DENTIST,
12, RAMPART ROW.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

DEATHS.

MACKENZIE—May 21st, at Serampore, Anne Ethel, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Mackenzie, Bank of Bengal

OATTS—May 18th, at Calcutta, Henry Oatts, Esq., of Nohatta Jessore.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittances sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

The Bombay Gazette.

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1876.

WE understand that the Government of India has received authority from the Secretary of State to proceed at once with the Ahmedabad and Ajmere extension of railway, and also with the extension from Nagpore to Chutteesgurh. This would have been very good news indeed to the citizens of Bombay, who are naturally looking gloomily at the present depressed state of trade and thinking that railway communications between Bombay and Rajpootana and Bombay and the heart of the Central Provinces cannot be made too soon, were it not that our information is accompanied with the intimation that the extension from Ahmedabad to Ajmere is to be constructed on the narrow gauge. We confess that this information surprises us

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

GENERAL KAUFMANN.

MOSCOW, 24TH MAY.

General Kaufmann passed through here yesterday. He is returning to his post as Governor of Khokand.

THE DAIRA BONDS.

ALEXANDRIA, 25TH MAY.

An important decree affecting the Daira bondholders has been decided by the tribunal, consolidating the Daira bonds, as invalid against foreigners.

THE RUSSIAN MEMORANDUM—SEMI PANIC ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

LONDON, 25TH MAY.

There was a semi panic on the Stock Exchange to-day caused by the general anxiety on account of Eastern affairs.

The Porte refuses, though unofficially, to take cognizance of Prince Gortschakoff's Memorandum until at Berlin and will reject it unless modified.

DEPARTURE OF MR. WILSON FOR EGYPT.

Mr. Rivers Wilson leaves London to-day to take up his post in the Egyptian Ministry of Finance.

THE DISCOVERY SHIP CHALLENGER.

Her Majesty's steam corvette Challenger has arrived at Spithead from her two years' cruise on particular service.

OBITUARY.—General Sir G. Bowles G. C. B. and Mr. Henry Kingsley.

LONDON, 24TH MAY.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet but steady. Surats dull.

The London Cotton Market has been depressed.

Fair Dhollera..... 4¾d.

The Manchester Market has been very dull.

3 per cent. Consols for account ..... 96.

Bar Silver ..... 52.

The sum of £140,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

Arrivals.—Romulus, Xantho, and Guy Mannering.

STEAMER REPORT.

TRINCOMALEE, 25TH MAY, 10-25 A.M.

H. M. S. Diamond, from Colombo, arrived yesterday.

WEATHER REPORTS.—25TH MAY.

CARNARVON, 5 P.M.—Weather cloudy, wind W.; thermometer 86.

CAIWAR, 5 P.M.—Weather fine, wind N. W. 6, thermometer 85, barometer 30·3.

MANGALORE, 4·58 P.M.—Weather fine, wind N. E., ther. min. 84.

TUTICORIN, 5 P.M.—Weather fair, wind S. S. E., thermometer 90, barometer 29·84.

VINGORLA, 5 P.M.—Weather clear, wind S.W. strong, thermometer 94.

THE P. & O. s. s. Mongolia, which leaves on Monday next for China, takes out 233 boxes of silver bars valued at six lacs of rupees.

ACCORDING to the *Pioneer* the Queen has bestowed the title of G.C.S.I. on the Governor of Madras as well as His Excellency of Bombay.

THERE is reason to believe that no despatch was received by the Government of India in reference to the Royal Titles Bill by the mail delivered in Simla on Sunday.

A NATIVE paper calmly announces, without any comment upon the catastrophe, that "Lord Lytton has committed suicide. He is said to have been insane." All is fish that comes to a native paper's net.

IN the district of North Arcot, during the year 1875-76, the extent of land under dry cultivation was 3,93,720 acres assessed at 6,90,527, that under wet was 1,92,607 acres assessed at Rs. 11,96,644 or a total of 5,86,327 acres assessed at Rs. 18,87,171. This shows a decrease of 49,634 acres compared with the preceding year.

THE Pasha of Bagdad sometimes pays his officials in—soap! He obtains a large consignment from Constantinople *via* the Suez Canal, and forces it on the acceptance of his subordinates in lieu of their proper pay in coin. Some Anglo-Indian officials of rank, remarks the *Madras Mail*, who pay for information for which they obtain the whole credit in soft soap that costs and means nothing, will perhaps admire the sagacity of the Pasha.

RUMOURS have circulated about the prevalence of discontent among the engine-drivers of the East Indian Railway but an up-country contemporary states very confidently that it is asserted on the best authority that the drivers are perfectly contented, being tried men, in whom complete reliance is placed by their employers. And they have justified this confidence by showing themselves willing and ready in recently working away an unusually heavy traffic of seeds, wheat, and other grains from Cawnpore and its neighbourhood.

IT is said that Colonel Robinson, Director General of Telegraphs, who is now at home is making arrangements for transferring the telegraphs on the Indian Railways to the Government of India. This plan has already been adopted on the Sind, Punjab, and Delhi and the G. I. P. Railways, and it seems probable that the other lines of railway will also soon adopt it. The carrying out of these arrangements will be merely a question of account between the companies and the Government, and will not involve any serious re-organization of the Telegraph Department.

THE extent of coffee cultivation in Wynaad has increased from 7,275 acres in 1860-61 to 32,180 acres in 1874-75. The total value of the land under cultivation is £965,430, and the amount expended annually in coolies' wages alone is £182,500; other expenses in connection with cultivation, carriage and shipment of crops, amounting to £100,000. There are altogether 117 European planters, 16 of whom are in North Wynaad, 74 in South Wynaad, and 27 in South-East Wynaad. The total revenue of the Wynaad Taluq from all sources has increased from Rs. 2,00,886-2-3 in 1871-72 to Rs. 2,31,971-10-9 in 1874-75.

THE Socotra which arrived in the Madras roads on Sunday morning has on board two boys, who were rescued from slavery on the Zanzibar coast. The B. I. S. N. Co., the *Madras Times* states, intend to train them to be useful in the office at Calcutta, and afterwards to employ them in a like manner at Zanzibar. The boys are genuine negroes, with wide flat noses, short woolly curly hair, jet black skins, and wide mouths, generally open with a good humoured grin. They cannot be more than nine or ten years of age. They are strongly built, and well formed. One stands 4 feet 4 inches high, and weighs 83 lbs., the other is 4 feet 1 inch, and weighs 73 lbs. At present, though they have made the round by Aden, Kurrachee and Bombay, the only word in use in India, which they can speak and appear to understand is "Salaam." They chatter away to each other in their native language, whatever that may be. They practice a sort of dance to which they keep time with their hands.

AT the last meeting of the Academy of Sciences, M. de Lesseps, who has been spending five months in Egypt, stated that Port Said was no longer in danger of silting up. It would be useless to lengthen the breakwaters—a hazardous operation, as one breakwater might modify the currents of a whole region. The dredging machine was at work regularly enough to preserve the necessary depth of the Canal. The last year's dredging had not yet been filled up by the deposits of sand, and two large vessels, the Serapis of 5,110 tons, and an English frigate drawing nearly eight metres of water, had recently passed without difficulty. As to the current in the Canal, in winter the excess of water brought by the lakes produced a northern current to the Mediterranean while in summer, evaporation, lowering the lakes, led to a southern current. Rain formerly unknown in the vicinity of the Red Sea now fell almost every fortnight, and vegetation was springing up even on the Asiatic side, which must be due to the rain. The ruins of splendid buildings have been found on the site of an ancient town of Rameses.

THE Mellus schism which has disturbed the peace of the Roman Catholic Churches on the Malabar Coast has reached a crisis which must speedily determine the controversy. The Right Rev. Dr. Meurin, Visitor Apostolic to the Syrian Churches in Malabar who lately arrived from Bombay in Cochin on a special mission from the Pope, was to leave Cochin for Mananam on Sunday last. The daten fixed for the Convocation is the 23rd May. We are told by the *Cochin Argus*, a Catholic paper, that it is expected that there will be present above three hundred of the Syrian clergy as well as some of the principal of the laity. Documents printed in Latin and Malayalam have been despatched by His Lordship to all the Syrian Churches, and in these Bishop Elias Mellus is declared to be not a lawful Bishop, save of the diocese of Akra, and he is accused of unlawfully and arrogantly claiming to be Archbishop of Malabar. He is also accused of having published a false and forged letter from the Pope and of using fraudulent means to acquire a position he could not legally obtain. The disputes and schism raised by this person Bishop Meurin has left Bombay to finally settle.

THE *Madras Times* makes the following remarks upon a case in Madras which has attracted a good deal of notice there and also in other places:—"It seems a pity that so much argument should be wasted over a mere clerical error in Mr. Spencer's endorsement, refusing to let Mr. Fowler have summonses against certain persons, who had charged him with assault, for perjury and conspiracy. Both here and at a distance, writers have marvelled at the logic which enabled the Assistant Magistrate to refuse the summonses 'under Section 460 of the C. C. P.,' which sets forth that a man once tried for an offence cannot be tried again for it; but it has been quite obvious to every one who took the trouble to look into the matter that the Assistant Magistrate, or his clerk, had by a slip of the pen, written sec. 460 instead of sec. 468, which enacts that no charge, such as Mr. Fowler makes can be entertained without the previous sanction of the Court. It seems, on the face of it, a great hardship that such sanction should not be granted. The Court dismissed the charge of assault against Mr. Fowler, on account of the inherent badness of the evidence, and of course, without hearing Mr. Fowler's testimony. That gentleman now alleges that he is in a position to prove perjury and conspiracy against his accuser and his witnesses, and it certainly seems desirable, on public grounds, that the case should be heard. The section is intended to prevent constant recriminatory suits by persons of little responsibility, and not, we should think, to prevent a responsible person, like Mr. Fowler, from having his charges at least heard. That gentleman, of course, made a mistake when he wrote to the Magistrate instead of laying a complaint in due form; and if it be the case that he has not yet remedied that mistake, by applying to be allowed to withdraw his letter and to substitute a formal complaint, the public cannot know whether or not the Assistant Magistrate has refused to entertain the complaint—whether it is kept out of Court on the ground of form or of substance. This is a great pity, for the question is an important one, both to Mr. Fowler and to the public."

THE *Pioneer* makes a very serious blunder in the following statement, which must have been inspired by some Olympian spirit:—"At a time when the Chambers of Commerce of Bombay and Calcutta were abusing the tariff regulations of 1875, and sowing the seeds of all those false impressions on the subject, which gave rise afterwards to so much bad feeling in England, we ventured to predict that the manufacturing and commercial interests in this country, which for the moment fancied themselves aggrieved, would ultimately come to understand the subject better, and recognise the perfect soundness and the honest regard for the welfare of India which underlay the legislation they then impugned. This change of feeling has come to pass more promptly even than might have been anticipated. In the address to Lord Northbrook which the Bombay Chamber forwarded to him on his departure, and to which he has since replied from Aden, the Tariff Act of 1875 is spoken of in terms of unreserved admiration. The Chamber has now no language too warm to applaud the measure which it represented to the world at first as concocted *in camera* by officials unable to understand mercantile requirements, and availing themselves of the seclusion of Simla to conspire against the interests of the commercial classes. Certainly it is better to give up a bygone belief altogether, when it is discovered to be unsound, than to try and compromise between it and the right view; but under the circumstances, and considering all the undeserved reproach which has been levelled against the Government of India out here and at home in connection with the Tariff Act, the Bombay Chamber, while about it, had confessed its conversion with even better grace, if it had added some little expression of regret for having been so wrong-headed and angry in the beginning." Every mercantile man in Bombay or Calcutta knows that neither the Bombay nor Calcutta Chamber of Commerce ever thought of passing one word of censure on Lord Northbrook for the Tariff Act of 1875, though they did find fault with the 5 per cent. duty on raw cotton; but with regard to that they objected only to the principle on which that duty was imposed, knowing well that it never would be a reality. In the Report of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce passed at the annual meeting held on the 19th October 1875 the Chamber used these words:—"The wise and liberal policy which the new Indian Tariff Act inaugurates has, with the exception of one item, been received with satisfaction by nearly all classes throughout the empire." Again in November last when Lord Northbrook was in Bombay the Chamber concluded their address to His Lordship in these words:—"We desire to avail ourselves of this opportunity of expressing to your Lordship the gratitude with which we in common with the community generally of the Presidency received the Indian Tariff Act of 1875." These quotations show clearly what the opinion of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce has all along been on the Tariff Act of 1875. The *Pioneer* has incautiously adopted the Simla inspiration, hoping that some one might believe the erroneous statements, but the hope is groundless.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

BOMBAY, 24th May 1876.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected	29·796
Temperature of the Air	86·7
Wet Bulb Thermometer	78·8
Dew Point	76·0
Relative humidity of Air	0·709
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded=8)	2·8
Maximum temperature of air (read at 9-30 a.m. on following day)	90·8
Minimum do. do.	81·9
General Direction of wind	W, WSW, W, WSW.
Movement of wind in 24 hours	240

BOMBAY.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.—Govind Ramjee, a cart driver, was yesterday fined Rs. 3 by Mr. Dossabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, for torturing his bullock, charged at the instance of Mr. R. Nutty, an agent to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

REFRACTORY SEAMAN.—Edward Ford, of the ship Knight Companion, was yesterday sentenced to one week's hard labour in the House of Correction, by Mr. C. P. Cooper, at the Fort Police Court, for wilful disobedience in refusing to do duty on board that ship, of which he is an articled seaman.

THEFT AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.—William Dalton, a native Christian, was yesterday charged at the Girgaum Police Court, before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, at the instance of the Rev. Luke Rivington, with stealing a Bible, valued at Rs. 10, the property of that gentleman. The prisoner pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to two months' hard labour in the Common Jail.

STATEMENT OF SILVER BALANCE IN THE MINT.—The value of silver in the Mint on the morning of the 15th May 1876 was Rs. 57,29,704; add silver received during the week Rs. 8,51,688. The sum of Rs. 13,00,084 in new coin was paid during the week; the balance left was Rs. 52,81,308. There is in addition 18,23,248 rupees worth of silver bullion belonging to private individuals deposited in the Mint vaults and awaiting assay.

EVADING THE LIQUOR LICENSE.—Two Iranee Parsees, shurbut shopkeepers, named Rustom Byramjee and Byram Sorabjee, the former having his shop at Curset jee Sooklajee Street, and the latter at Upper Duncan Road, were yesterday charged before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, at the instance of Mr. Inspector Chislett and Mr. Constable Millard, with selling spirituous liquors without a license from the Commissioner of Police. Upon the evidence adduced they were both adjudged guilty and fined Rs. 25 each.

MORTUARY RETURNS.—The total number of deaths registered during the week ending Tuesday, 23rd May, was 389, being 70 less than in the preceding week, 50 more than the total of the week ending 25th May 1875, and 47 more than the mean of the corresponding period in the preceding five years. During the week, 236 births were reported in the different districts of the city. The deaths from small-pox were 55, or 31 less than last week, against 9 in the corresponding week of last year, and an average of 34 in the preceding five years. The rate of mortality per 1,000 of the population was 30·26.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—A Coroner's inquest was held on Wednesday evening at Warree Bunder on view of the body of Buknak Budnak. Deceased was a labourer, employed by the G. I. P. Railway Company at the Warree Bunder station, where deceased with two others whilst engaged in examining the axle boxes of the wheels of a waggon by the means of a screw jack, the waggon suddenly tilted over and fell on to the deceased and crushed him to death. Upon the evidence adduced the following verdict was returned by the jury:—"That the death of the deceased was caused by his having been accidentally crushed under the body of a railway waggon.

MAJOR MORAY, OF HER MAJESTY'S 26TH REGIMENT N. I.—In our last issue we stated that Major Moray's case was dismissed by Major A. T. Spens, the Assistant Cantonment Magistrate, which was brought against that officer by a Bengalee *moochee*. In dismissing the case, His Worship informed Major Moray that the charge of cheating was not proved against him, nor did anything transpire in the course of events derogatory to his character during the inquiry. We understand that a letter to the above effect was also written to the Officer Commanding Her Majesty's 26th Regiment Native Infantry.—*Poona Observer*.

CHOLERA AT KALADGHEE.—The Collector of Kaladghee reports that cholera is prevailing with great fatality in the northern part of his Collectorate from whence it is spreading in the direction of Sholapore. No time ought to be lost by the civil authorities in adopting vigorous sanitary and preventive measures in anticipation of the pestilence extending as far northward as the line of rail. It is true that this obligation has been met to a certain extent by the head clerk in the Deputy Surgeon General's Office at Poona, sending off two hospital assistants with a supply of MacDougall's powder and cholera mixture to the afflicted districts. It will doubtless be a matter of great surprise to the public to find the Office of the D. S. G. dependent on the head clerk for authority to organise measures for the sanitary welfare of the population, as no branch of the district more important to the health and comfort of its inhabitants is more thoroughly scrutinized, and beset with greater difficulties in its administration than that which relates to the office of the D. S. G. We feel it to be our duty to respectfully suggest that a competent medical officer be appointed to take charge of it at once, who shall issue fitting instructions for the proper performance of the sanitary work and supervision in the districts at present affected.—*Id.*

A VERY SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—A correspondent furnishes us with the following particulars of a very serious accident having taken place at the railway station, and we trust that the Railway Police will not allow the coachmen of hired gharries to escape punishment, as they are in the habit of racing their gharries, to secure passengers:—A very serious accident occurred at the east entrance door of the Poona station on the 19th instant, at 12-30 p. m. It appears that two shigrams, one driven by a Brahmin coachman and the other by a Mahratta, were coming from the city towards the station at a race speed, each trying his utmost to overtake the other. The street men were standing aghast to see these carriages driven so furiously. The result of this was that the latter shigram dashed against the pillar of the entrance door, crushing the top wheels and glass shutters of the carriage to pieces, effecting very serious wounds on the heads of the male and female passengers and a severe cut in the right hand of a girl passenger. The coachman was also found lying near at hand complaining that a bone of his thigh had been broken, but I cannot vouch to this as some of the by-standers considered it a pretence on his part for fear of being prosecuted. No sooner the gharry was upset a very loud noise occurred which brought to the place police peons and all the people that were in the station. The station master and the Royal Family Hotel keepers were also present. The wounded passengers were removed under a shade and appliances were made to wounds. So far are the circumstances of the accident. On enquiry I found the police have let off the gharry-wallah as the complainant did not like to bother himself with the case, but this is very strange; if the police do not take up such matters themselves, the lives of the people are left to the mercy of these gharrywallas. They indulge in these stupid wagers, careless of the safety of the passengers. It is an incontrovertible fact that the responsibility of the safety of the persons while being driven rests on the shoulders of the gharrywalla who has, as it were, impliedly bound himself to carry the passenger safe to his destination for the money he receives; in consideration for this, and if he violates his contract willingly and carelessly, he ought to be dealt with according to law. If the police do not take any cognizance of this matter, I for one myself bold to say that they lack in their duty as this accident has occurred in the very threshhold entrance door of the station yard. We don't know what police, either the railway or city, are blameable in this case.—*Id.*

COURT OF PETTY SESSIONS.

A COURT of Petty Sessions was held yesterday, at the Fort Police Court, whereof Mr. C. P. Cooper, the Senior Magistrate, was Chairman, Messrs Charles Levett Yeats and Wassoodew Pandoorang, Justices of the Peace, sat as members of the said Court.

There was one opium case and three appeals against the assessment of the Municipal Commissioner for disposal.

The opium case was first called on for hearing in which Chinaman, named Jitoo Appoo, stood charged with having in his possession, without being a licensed retailer, a greater quantity of opium than one quarter of a Surat seer, contrary to clauses 3 and 4 of section X. of Regulation 21 of 1827. Mr. R. V. Hearn, the Public Prosecutor, conducted the case for the prosecution; defendant in person. Upon the evidence adduced defendant was adjudged guilty and fined Rs. 32, being double the duty and double the value of the opium found in his possession.

The appeals against the assessment of the Municipal Commissioner were next called on for hearing, of which there were three. First that of Bhasker Manockjee against the rate of assessment on house No. 3, Obelisk Road, was partly gone into and adjourned for further hearing to the 15th proximo. The appellant was ordered to produce his books, bills and accounts relative to the matter at the next hearing. Second, that of Cassinath Wittoba against the rate of assessment on a dhurumsalla owned by the appellant at Mahaluxmee Third, the appeal of Kursondass Davidass and Dharumdass Davidass, two brothers, joint owners of another dhurumsalla at Mahaluxmee in respect of the rate of last appeals. The Municipal Commissioner is said to have considered the two properties as pleasure houses and not dhurumsallas (a building for charitable purposes) and assessed them as such, as it would involve considerable time to solve the question. These two appeals were also adjourned to the next sitting of the Court.

Mr. J. F. Hutchinson, Assistant Municipal Commissioner, appeared as the Assessor, and Mr. Crawford (of Messrs. Crawford and Beevey) appeared on behalf of the Municipal Commissioner.

CRIME IN THE TOWN AND ISLAND OF BOMBAY.

THE following is the resolution of Government passed on the letter from the Senior Magistrate of Police, Bombay, dated 29th February 1876, submitting statements, showing the state of crime in the Town and Island of Bombay during the year 1875:—

RESOLUTION.—In reviewing that part of this report which relates to crime, it will be convenient to consider separately (1) the nature and number of the crimes reported, (2) the distribution of these crimes among the different classes of the community, and (3) the action of the Police and Judicial officers in respect of these crimes.

2. The total number of offences reported in 1875 was 14,547. The number in the previous year was 47 less. This very slight difference in the totals of the two years does not call for notice; a comparison of the details will be made below, but here it may be observed that the virtual equality of the totals does not proceed from a general equality in the details but in the resultant of two considerable fluctuations, namely, a serious rise in the number of offences implying dishonesty, and a large fall in the number of offences relating to the public peace (see below sections 8 and 15). The rise and fall cannot be regarded as of equal importance, for no doubt a large portion of the offences relating to the public peace consists of petty offences under the Police Act.

3. In order to show with any clearness the increase or diminution from year to year of the various kinds of crime it will be necessary to group them in a way different to that adopted in Statement A., in which offences so similar as causing hurt to extort property and robbery come under different classes, while offences so unlike as murder and defamation, assault and adultery all come under one class. For the present purpose offences may more conveniently be grouped as in the following sections:—

4. *Offences against the State.*—These consist chiefly of offences relating to coin and stamps. There is a marked decrease this year, only 9 offences having been brought to light in place of 27 last year.

5. *Offences by Public Servants.*—Only five such offences were tried in 1874 and only two in 1875. This is a circumstance highly creditable to the large bodies of public servants on duty in Bombay.

6. *Offences against Public Justice.*—These consist chiefly of disobedience to the orders of public servants. The number rose from 194 in 1874 to 206 in 1875.

7. *Public Nuisances.*—The number of these rose nearly ten per cent. from 698 to 665.

8. *Offences relating to the Public Peace.*—These consist chiefly of affrays and other disorderly or indecent conduct in the public streets. The number has fallen from 774 in 1874 to 479 this year. From the report for 1874 it appears that in that year there was an increase of 238 persons charged with indecent behaviour. Probably, therefore, special attention was given to the offence that year, and the consequent improvement in conduct may partly account for the great fall apparent this year. No explanation of the remarkable fluctuation is suggested in Mr. Cooper's report.

9 *Offences relating to Religion.*—It is a fact highly creditable to the good feeling and tolerance of the six hundred thousand citizens of Bombay that, numerous and different as are the religious creeds prevailing among them, not a single offence relating to religion has been reported either this year or last year.

10 *Annoyance, &c., through drunkenness.*—There appears a decrease of this offence. There were 2,359 cases reported in 1875 to 2,522 in 1874. But from the nature of the offence the number of persons charged is of more moment than the number of offences. 3,563 persons were charged in 1875 and 4,003 in 1874.

11. *Municipal Offences.*—The number fell from 3,314 in 1874 to 3,229 in 1875. The previous year showed a decrease also. The very large number (2,880) of Municipal complaints withdrawn seems to imply want of management on the part of the Municipal officers.

12. *Murder, Culpable Homicide, actual or attempted.*—The number was 12 in 1873, 7 in 1874, and 5 in 1875. Only one of the five cases amounted to actual murder.

13. *Rape.*—Two instances were reported this year and two the year before.

14. *Hurt of all kinds, Wrongful restraint and confinement, Assault, Intimidation, Kidnapping, &c.*—The number of these offences has diminished from 2,551, in 1874 to 2,518 in 1875. They are nearly all cases of simple assault. Among them were only three cases of grievous hurt and only six are entered as hurt. It is presumed that many offences which would amount to voluntarily causing hurt under the Penal Code are treated as assault under Section 37 of the Police Act.

15. *Theft, Robbery., House-breaking Cheating, &c.*—The number of these offences has risen from 2,350 in 1874 to 2,723 in 1875, which is a matter of concern. The rise is most marked in the case of thefts, especially thefts in which the value of the property stolen was less than Rs. 50. There were 280 more such offences reported this year than in 1874. At the same time it is remarkable that the number of persons charged with such offences was only nine more than in 1874. A substantial increase appears also in the number of larger thefts and of the offences of dishonestly receiving stolen property, of criminal misappropriation of property and criminal breach of trust. The offences under this head are not of such a character that the increase in the number of cases reported can be attributed to increased activity of the Police in ascertaining the occurrence, for such offences are no doubt almost always reported by the persons injured. And the fact that the property stolen in 1875 was more than double in value that of the previous year confirms the conclusion that a serious increase of this kind of crime has taken place. At the same time the proportion of stolen property recovered is creditable to the efficiency of the Police. They recovered nearly 79 per cent. of the property stolen. They were most successful in recovering in the cases of ordinary theft, in which more than two-thirds of the property was recovered. Of property obtained by house-breaking and property dishonestly received from thieves rather more than one-third was recovered. It is not understood how when property has been stolen and passed to another person and the theft and the receiving are separately tried and the offences separately entered in Statement A, the entering of the property as stolen recovered is avoided. The Commissioner of Police should report upon this.

16. *Criminal Trespass and Mischief.*—The number of these offences has risen from 141 in 1874 to 164 in 1875.

17. *False Evidence, False Complaints, Forgeries, &c.*—There were 70 cases under this head, but among them are included 27 cases of the minor offence of making frivolous or vexatious complaints. The instances of giving or fabricating false evidence were 30 in number. In the previous year the total number of offences under this head was rather greater (76) and the proportion of the more serious offences greater.

18. *Defamation*—There were 18 such cases in 1874 and only 7 in 1875.

19. *Offences relating to Marriage or to Illicit intercourse.*—These were 86 in number, or one more than last year. A large majority of them consist of the offence of enticing away a married woman with a criminal intent. But only one out of 67 persons so charged was convicted. Eight persons were charged with adultery and 17 with making unlawful marriages, but none were convicted.

20. *Offences under Special Laws (other than Municipal.)*—These are principally breaches of laws relating to hackery conveyance, seamen and shipping, excise, and gambling. The number was 544 in 1874 and 842 this year. Such a result as that shown in paragraph 35 of Mr. Cooper's report needs some explanation, as it seems unlikely that an increase of 137 offences of such a nature as torturing animals should give only 20 more offenders.

21. A still more general view of the state of crime in Bombay may be taken by roughly grouping the offences in the following five classes: (1) offences of which the principal feature is violence done to the human person, (2) offences of which the principal feature is dishonest gain, (3) offences which, without violence or dishonesty, are meant to annoy, (4) offences which, without any intention to injure any particular persons, show a disregard of public interests and public authority, (5) offences implying low morality in the restricted sense in which that word is often used. The table in the margin shows the offences thus classified for 1874 and 1875, and comparing the two years, the striking phenomena are an increase of dishonesty and a decrease of disorderliness.

Offence of	1874.	1875.
Violence ...	2,560	2,525
Dishonesty ...	2,453	2,802
Annoyance ...	159	171
Insubordination...	3,261	7,782
Immorality ...	85	86

22. The population of Bombay, is about 6,44,400 persons. The total number of persons brought before the Magistrates in 1875 was 20,395, or something more than three per cent. The number has been decreasing of late years. It was much less in 1872 than in 1871; it rose slightly in 1873; fell considerably in 1874 and again this year. Comparing the numbers of offenders from each large division of the community with the size of the division gives a result favourable in the case of the Hindus and Parsis and unfavourable in the case of the Mahomedans. The Hindus form 78 per cent. of the population, but only 51 per cent. of the offenders are Hindus. The Mahomedans are 12 per cent. of the population, and 28 per cent. of the offenders are Mahomedans. The Parsis are 6½ per cent. of the population, and little more than ¼ per cent. of the offenders are Parsis. A substantial decrease in the number of Hindu and substantial increase in that of female offenders both Hindu and Mahomedan is remarkable.

23. A similar comparison in the case of the Europeans gives a very lamentable result. They constitute little more than one per cent. of the population, but furnish more than six per cent. of the offenders. And the number of European offenders is increasing: there was a slight increase last year, and a very large one this year.

24. The number of juvenile offenders brought before the Magistrates this year is unusually large, namely, 231. In 1874 it was only 142 and in the two preceding years about 180.

25. The Courts convicted 12,695, or the 20,395 persons brought before them, that is 62 per cent. But if the number of persons against whom the complaints made were withdrawn be deducted, the percentage is raised to over 86 per cent. The number of cases withdrawn is very large. The Municipality withdrew complaints against 2,880 persons, and private persons after being granted a summons or warrant withdrew their complaints in 3,456 cases, and in the cases of 310 persons brought up by the Police the complainants withdrew their complaints.

26. But the most important ratio as evidence of the discrimination of the Police in making arrests is that of the number of persons sent up by the Police to the number of those of them convicted. The Police brought up 13,189 persons, and 10,944, or nearly 90 per cent. were convicted. This result speaks well for the discretion and carefulness of the Police.

27. The punishment of death was inflicted in one instance only during the year. The convict was a Parsi who murdered his father by stabbing him with a knife. There were five executions the previous year. Five persons were transported in 1875; no one was so punished in 1874. It is remarkable and not to be accounted for by the statistics of crime for the period that the punishment of rigorous imprisonment was awarded in 321 fewer instances in 1875 than in 1874. The total amount of the fines of 1875 also is much less than in the preceding year. And fewer persons were whipped in 1875. The number was 4 and the offence in nearly all the cases theft.

28. The number of inquests held by the Coroner of Bombay during the year was 365, which is 55 in excess of the preceding year. Out of these 365 cases in five the death was homicidal, in 73 it was suicidal, in 66 it was found to be from natural causes, and in 11 the cause was ascribed to drinking. This leaves 310 deaths attributed to accident. The only class of accident under which any large portion of this number comes is that of accidental drowning of which there were fifty instances. Thirty-one persons were drowned in tanks and wells: twenty six of these cases occurring where there was a parapet wall and only five where there was no parapet wall.

29. Fifty-five fires occurred during the year, destroying property estimated at Rs. 1,21,406. Only one life, that of a child of 5 years, was lost in those fires.

30. The total strength of the Police force at the commencement of the year was 1,408, of which 278 were Government and 1,130 Municipal Police. The number of dismissals was 35. Only three men resigned the service during the year. Government quite concur in Mr. Cooper's remarks that the state of order maintained during His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales' visit to Bombay, when all the members of the force were kept so constantly on duty and the numbers of strangers in the city was so great, reflects the highest credit upon the Police.

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"THE STREET CRIES OF BOMBAY."

WHEN a writer takes up a subject such as that indicated by the title above quoted, it may reasonably be required of him that however superficial, or imperfect his knowledge of it may be, he will at least not actually mislead his readers by giving them, as facts, statements which can only have originated in his own fertile imagination. Some time ago a Calcutta magazine, Mookerjee's, we believe, published an article on the "Street Cries of Calcutta," and forthwith some ignorant but aspiring Hindoo rushes into print in the columns of *Native Opinion*, and gives to the public what he leads us to suppose, is a description of the street-criers of Bombay and their avocations. How utterly incompetent the author of this article is, to perform the task he has undertaken, we propose to show by correcting a few of his blunders—blunders which would be unpardonable if committed by a foreigner, much more so when originating with a native who should be perfectly familiar with such a subject. A good article may be written by a man who possesses no special knowledge of his subject, but our author not only possesses no special knowledge, but knows less of his subject than the youngest coolie boy in Bombay.

Of the English used in the article it would be unnecessary to speak, since English not being the mother tongue of the writer—a fact plainly evident—minor faults on this head might easily be pardoned were there any counter-balancing merits, but there is no merit whatever in the article to which we now refer, and the author's syntax would disgrace a tramway conductor. In the first paragraph he uses the plaintive phrase "to other localities," without an antecedent. In the next paragraph he says that the "old clo'" of Bombay buys "school-books which wicked boys sell him *for a trifle, and everything else.*" So much for his grammar; now for his facts.

This highly intelligent gentleman informs us that the old clo' of Bombay, cries "*Juna kappra, jerri purrana, batli.*" Now, it so happens that each of these is a distinct cry used by men following different occupations. *Juna kopra*, is the cry of the man who buys old cotton, cloth, clothes, &c. The *jerri purana wallah*, as his name indicates, is the purchaser of old "*jerri-kopra*," *i. e.*, clothes made from *jerri kopra*, a kind of *resham*, the cheap gaudy coloured silk made in the Bombay mills and elsewhere, and worn by the Parsees, Khojah Mussulmans, and some others, as trouserings, &c. This man very seldom consents to buy any other kind of stuff. The cry of *batli* speaks for itself. Nor are our author's remarks on the morality of these men at all merited by facts. There are black sheep among them no doubt, but the Police Court records will show that, considering the temptations to commit petty larcenies which fall in their way, these men are on the whole quite the reverse of what our author wishes to make them appear.

Garodis, or serpent-charmers, do *not* carry goats or monkeys round with them, as asserted; and the *garodi* proper is perfectly distinct from the *mungoose-walla*. The former plays with his snakes and professes to make them dance, while the latter does nothing of the kind, but gets up an impromptu contest between a snake and a *mungoose*, (not a "*munguess.*")

The *Kopravalla* is never a Parsee, indeed Parsees do not hawk anything. Nor do the Hindoo and Mussulman vendors supply "all kinds of textile fabrics," but confine themselves almost entirely to *dhotars, sarees*, handkerchiefs, and cotton cloths. The "enormous basket" of our author is another fiction, the *kopra* being generally carried on the coolie's head, or if small in quantity on the vendor's shoulder. These men are generally Bhattias, or Banians, any other Hindoos thus employed being generally men engaged by the proprietor of a shop on a salary account. A few Konkanee Musulmans also follow this trade.

Chari-gulabs are not "sweet strings, a foot or more in length, and looking like so many worms which children appear to be very fond of," nor do they dangle "ostentatiously and appetizingly from a small box" carried by the vendor; they are the common sugar-stick, coloured sticks of various compounds of sugar, &c., resembling a pencil in shape, but much larger, and which are laid assorted side by side, in a small tin tray which the vendor carries on his arm, or suspends in his front, by a string passed over his neck exactly as the English "sweety-man" hangs his more pretentious board.

We have already said that the Parsees do not engage in hawking, and that might be sufficient, but that we find our author making the same blunder a second time, and this where the merest griff could hardly be mistaken. He says, "the man who shouts *tazah mithaye, garram mithaye* is generally an Erani Parsee!" Whereas he is an Irani Mussulman of the Shiah sect, or as they are more commonly termed in Bombay though incorrectly, a Mogul. The cry given for this man is by no means his most popular one, nor the one most generally used, which is *bahut achchha banaya, bahut mitha pakaya*, (lit—very well made, prepared very sweet), *taza mithai, garm mithai*, (fresh sweet-meat, hot sweet-meat) being much more limited in its application is not so common, and is moreover seldom heard except about the time of sunset, or an hour or two after.

The *ganderi-walla* does not sell *ladus, burfis*, &c., but as his name and cry indicates *ganderi, i. e. ganna*, or sugar-cane, peeled and cut into pieces about an inch long. *Barfi* being a white jelly-like kind of sweetmeat made from milk, is not of a consistency which would admit of its being carried in a basket, but, however, hawked through the streets by a few Musulmans and Hindoos, on a metal *rikabee* or dish. The *ganderi-walla* rarely sells anything but the sugar-cane, but now and then they may be seen with *phulli* in their baskets.

In his last paragraph this intelligent scribe again resolves a trinity into unity and makes the soda-water vendor, the *barf-wallah* and the *kulfi* vendor into one! No doubt, the boy or man (generally the former) who cries "sod'water, lem'lade," generally carries ice as well, but there is nevertheless the *barf-walla* proper who sells nothing else. Our author says that only Madrassees employed in this business, but the majority of the persons engaged are Bombay Parsees. Nor does the ice-cream-*walla's* stock consist of "lumps of ice enveloped in a mass of sawdust." The coolie, who invariably accompanies him carries a wooden box in which is a tin apparatus, which can be got in almost any tin-ware shop in Bombay; and with the aid of which the ice-cream is prepared by the vendor who from time to time, adds ice to the tub set for the purpose.

With regard to the paragraph which treats of "beggars," it is a good sample of the writer's incompetency, without a word as to the Mahomedan *Fakeers, Miskins, Hafiz*, &c. or the numerous Hindoo and other classes of *beggars*, he utters a commonplace remark or two on blind and dumb beggars, without a word as to the distinctions which the caste system produces amongst them.

The subject which this illiterate scrawler has taken in hand is one from which not merely an interesting article might be derived, but one from an adequate treatment of which, much valuable information could be got—information which would throw considerable light on the manner, customs and life of the people of all creeds and many conditions, who are concerned either as buyers or sellers in the street criers of Bombay. It is then much to be regretted that such a dabbler should step into the field to take the pen out of the hand of more competent writers, and it is the duty of the press to expose and discountenance such ignorance and incompetency as that shown in the article we have just criticised.

INDIAN EXTRACTS.

A SLIGHT DIFFICULTY.

We invite opinions on the following rather puzzling cases. We think, as Mark Twain says, that we have got our heroes into a pretty considerable fix.

1. A storekeeper on a certain railway is one day sitting in his verandah, when a peon not dressed like a regular chuprassie comes up and asks if he is X sahib. The reply being in the affirmative, the man hands him an envelope without any address, and says he was to hand this to him. On the storekeeper opening the envelope he finds Rs. 300 in not

and the restless ambition of the Servians and Montenegrins satisfied, so as to insure peace for at least five or six years—no inconsiderable period to which to look forward when the stability of the Ottoman Empire is under consideration. This is the scheme of Russia, who, as she says, has nothing to gain for herself in the arrangement,—and probably may lose, for Servia and Montenegro do not love her so much as they love themselves,—but who hopes thereby to put off the discussion of the Eastern Question, for which she is most decidedly unprepared. But objections arise to such a plan on the part of Austria, in whose side the Principalities of Servia and Montenegro are already sharp thorns, as they keep alive that Slav agitation which menaces the disintegration of her own State, and whose danger would be materially increased by any transaction tending to give those Principalities any additional strength and importance. For her own sake, Austria is interested in maintaining the *status quo* in European Turkey at any price; hence that division of counsel, and that conflicting policy which have hitherto paralyzed the action of the six Powers and inspired Turkey with a sanguine hope that she may follow her own course unimpeded, and achieve by hard fighting what diplomacy will, in her opinion, never be able to accomplish by negotiation.

It is by no means unlikely that Turkey would carry her point, were her means adequate to her ends; but the political question is mixed up with the financial, and, if war is to be made, the difficulty arises as to where the money for it is to come from. Messrs. Stanisforth and Rose have so far succeeded in their scheme of a conversion of the Turkish debt as to bring the Imperial Ottoman Bank and the Credit Lyonnais—formerly their bitter opponents,—besides other banking establishments in Galata, to give their adhesion to their project. But the main drift of this project consists in the institution of a Société Fermière, which is to farm out or collect as much of the public revenue of the Empire as will enable it to insure the regular payment of the interest due to the holders of the "Converted Debt." For the establishment of this farming society a sum of £3,600,000 is required, of which £1,800,000 is to be paid down at the outset. Of this first instalment, £600,000 will be contributed by subscribers in England and France, £600,000 by the Galata bankers, and £600,000 by the Ottoman Government. How and where this Government will find its quota is not very clear, but it is understood that no part of the April or July coupons or any thing else is to be paid, so that it may be enabled to fulfil its own share of the new engagement—a matter in a great measure depending on the resources it may still have at its disposal when the exigencies of its warlike preparations have been provided for. On the whole, no one denies that by farming even partially the revenues of the Empire the Society might benefit both itself and the Government, and the Government's creditors; for the Turkish territory, with proper management, could be made to yield much more than it does under the present administration. But in the first place, the machinery of the society, to be effectual, must needs be very complicated and very expensive; in the second place, there is nothing to insure it against the bad faith and even the violence of the Turkish Government, which, in any circumstances, may be much pressed for money; and, in the third place, the Society only provides for a distant future, as its operations would not begin before next September, and far from enabling the Government to tide over its present difficulties, it calls upon it for the disbursement of the, to it, enormous sum of £600,000. Be it understood that, although the Imperial Ottoman Bank and the Credit Lyonnais have given in their adhesion to the Staniforth scheme, they have as yet signed no agreement; and the Credit Lyonnais insists that, although it will contribute its share towards the formation of the farming Society, it remains altogether a stranger to the project for the unification of the debt. Be it borne in mind, meanwhile, that, whatever may be the shortcomings of the Porte in its dealings with its creditors, in the recklessness of its frequent breaches of faith it is emboldened by the suggestions it receives from the very schemers who affect to supply it with the means of honourably meeting its liabilities, holding out every subtle argument to induce it to "renew that little bill," and thus involving it deeper and deeper in the perplexities of that financial knot which it is already too much inclined rather to cut than to solve.

The stir about the Palace and in the Ministerial offices here is, meanwhile, very great. Rashid Pasha, the Foreign Minister, and Dervish Pasha, the Minister for War, had yesterday, as the papers inform us, long interviews with the Sultan, at the close of which Dervish Pasha kept up a prolonged telegraphic intercourse with Ahed Mukhtar Pasha and the other commanders of divisions in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The War Minister, later in the day, again repaired to the Palace, to communicate to his Imperial master the result of the inquiries.

A blundering collision occurred on Monday at Karakeui, at the entrance of the Golden Horn, caused by the Sultanieh, an Imperial steam yacht, which had been in repair at the Haas Keui Arsenal, and which was steaming out into the Bosphorus. The yacht first struck the new iron bridge, than the old wooden bridge, damaging the former to such an extent that the cost of its repair will exceed £20,000. The Sultanieh also received such serious damage by the collision as to render it necessary to send it back to the Arsenal. The fate of the splendid new iron bridge at Karakeui is very sad. It was just finished and ready for use when I came here about six months ago, but some difficulty of a legal nature has prevented its being opened to traffic, and all intercourse between Stamboul and its suburb of Pera-Galata must needs be carried on through that wooden bridge, than which nothing more uncomfortable and inconveniently crowded can be imagined even in Turkey. The new bridge will, in all probability, have time to rust and rot before it is turned to any purpose, and in the meanwhile it has sustained an injury which it will take £20,000 and Heaven knows how long a time to repair—a pleasant prospect for the foreign company which has invested its money in the construction of the bridge, and an excellent encouragement to those sanguine spectators who would benefit Turkey by the introduction of the arts and appliances of European civilization!

Complaints of the long-continued drought begin to arise in the Provinces. We have had hardly any rain here in March, and very little in April. Cold north winds sweep over the land, and the soil, already drained of all moisture by the night air, is further parched by the blazing sun all day. There is no grass growing on the hills, and the leaves of the trees struggle into life with difficulty. Fogs are frequent at this season in the Bosphorus both in the evening and early morning.

MODERN SOCIETY AND MODERN MORALS.

(*Times*, May 5.)

A CAUSE in the Divorce Court, reported in our yesterday's columns, would hardly be read by the most thoughtless or most insensible without a momentary shudder. It had not even the redeeming feature of infatuation, or of blind passion, or of a decisive conclusion. Two young people, very foolish indeed in their different ways, but not without claims to our pity, have evidently wrecked the happiness of their lives at the very outset. Captain Rippingal, of the 6th Dragoon Guards, a gentleman of very good fortune and about 25, stationed at Hampton Court little more than a year ago, had the ill-luck to become acquainted with a lady, barely 20, possessing great personal attractions, and seemingly conscious of them. After making a settlement which proved the ardour of his affection, he performed the ceremony of marriage with her in October 1874. Among their acquaintance was Mr. Delacour, late in the 11th Hussars. He appeared on the scene very shortly after the marriage, and the husband very soon had to forbid his visits and remonstrate with his wife upon her levity. They were now in Green-street, with all the surroundings of London life, at once so pleasant and so capable of being wisely and innocently enjoyed. Remonstrance was in vain, and the husband saw nothing for them both but misery and humiliation so long as they remained within reach of the present danger. He gave up the house and named the day when they were to leave town. He had to leave home and his wife, at least he did leave them for the day before the intended departure; but the lady's account of the way in which she meant to spend the day was so lame, and her memory so much at fault, that he suspected mischief, and employed a detective to watch her. She made her own arrangements, spent the evening with the forbidden gentleman, and, on being challenged next day by her husband on the report of the detective, gave an account of the day which she had to confess untrue. Both respondent and co-respondent declared that they were guilty of no impropriety, and that there was nothing but old friendship in the meeting; and the lady afforded the most convincing proof that the assignation had been in a certain sense as unreal as the marriage itself. The lady was a flirt, and nothing more. It was her game, and she was content with it. To develope into a matron was alien from her nature. We can hardly suppose her a solitary instance. It is also too true that she belongs to a state of society. We are not so outrageously wicked as people used to be, but there is rather more of that which just stops short of act and deed. We do not dare to be very bad, but, on the other hand, we are equally afraid or unwilling to be good. Between the two, a good many manage to become very contemptible and very good for nothing. We had almost forgotten to add that as the jury could not return that an act of adultery had been committed, the husband remains saddled for life with a most useless and disagreeable encumbrance.

Having little else to do than duly to recognize declarations which we must call rather impudent, and proofs which were nothing less than disgusting, it is not very surprising that the Judge felt moved to speak out on the tone of public morality. Perhaps the suspected parties will hardly be accepted as fair witnesses on this point, but in the sequel the jury adopts their view of their case, and there must be something in it. Both lady and gentleman declare they have no particular preference for one another; they have no even the feelings which might naturally lead to impropriety; they are old friends, and nothing more, and accordingly they see no harm in eluding the vigilance, and, indeed, cheating the known suspicions of a young and jealous husband just for a little chat by the fireside. To a considerable extent they must reflect the society in which they have lived, and we can hardly suppose that she is the only lady, and he the only gentleman, who thinks there is no sin or danger in a *tête-à-tête*, obtained by stratagems and falsehoods, with a proscribed friend of the other sex. The Judge evidently regards the case as only too typical, and is reminded of more than he would venture to tell. Indeed, the records of the Court itself are bad enough, as regards both the quantity and the quality; but no one knows how many more cases are compromised, to the relief of all parties, but yet moral shipwrecks that can never be repaired. A very large proportion of these cases, whether of those that appear or of those that shun the light, are traceable not so much to misplaced and erring affection, but to a much more vulgar and more foolish thing. It is the "fast" school that vitiates the whole atmosphere, till it becomes really a matter of comparatively less importance whether the guilt be gross and actual or only in the heart, mind, soul—indeed, in the whole nature. The tongue, indeed, true to its nature, cannot help being a tell-tale, and its foolish and flickering ambiguities tell of the change within long before there is the opportunity, perhaps the resolution, to carry will into deed. Whether in the events for a great number of years, I have been engaged with my respected opponent the Unicorn in fighting the Crown. If the Bengal Tiger is to have a share in the contest I shall decline to continue it. In the first place, two to one is not fair play, and in the next place if the Tiger and myself got joint possession of the Crown, we should very likely begin fighting for it between ourselves, and so thinks Mr. Lowe.—Yours as ever,

LEO BRITANNICUS.

The Queen's Arms.

(POSSIBLE) MAY MEETINGS, 1876.

Mr. Disraeli may meet with a good reason for his newly-acquired Imperialism—better at least than those furnished by his favourite almanack and little girl.

Mr. Gladstone may meet with something fresh to disestablish—with Mr. Disraeli's assistance.

Dr. Kenealy may meet with some one who believes him the hair of all the Plantagenets, a greater orator than Demosthenes, and a juster man than Aristides.

Mr. Whalley may meet with a simpler victim of delusion than himself.

Mr. Newdegate may meet with a nunnery that will receive him with open arms.

The Sultan and the Khedive may meet with some one able to show them a new way to pay old debts.

The Armies of the Emperor of Russia may meet with the word "Empress" chalked on a board somewhere in Asia, and retreat into Europe with precipitation.

The two giant iron-clads Aeronaut and Diving Bells may meet, and prove Mr. Ward Hunt's prevision in christening them.

Mr. Swinburne may meet with a poet equal to himself—even in his own opinion.

The Home-Rulers and Nationalists may meet, without having to be parted by the police.

Christians of different denominations may meet without cursing each other.

The House of Commons may meet with the serious intention of doing useful work.

Mr. Punch may meet with an upper ten and a lower ten million, none of whom deserve his satiric lash.

A SEA-FIGHT OF THE FUTURE.

LETTER I.

From the Admiral of the British Fleet to the Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet.

High Seas, June 1, 187—.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform you that I sighted the fleet under your command last evening. As in these days of civilisation unnecessary bloodshed is to be deprecated, I take the earliest opportunity of letting you know that I have reason to believe, from information received through the newspapers, that my fleet is stronger than yours. I have under my command three Iron-clads, each with four feet of iron-plating protecting the water-line, and each carrying four 200-ton guns, firing fore, aft, and all round, mounted in turrets, protected by six feet of iron-plating and with all the loading, aiming and working performed by hydraulic machinery, so that loss of life at the guns is hardly possible on my side.

May I, under these circumstances, request you to surrender without unnecessary delay?—I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) NELSON IRONSIDE, *Admiral.*

(*Reply.*)

The Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet presents his compliments to the Admiral of the British Fleet, and begs to say that the Admiral of the British Fleet is misinformed. The Fleet under the Enemy's Admiral's command consists of two Iron-clads each with six feet of iron-plating protecting the water-line, each mounting six guns of 300 tons, firing perpendicularly, upwards and downwards, as well as fore, aft, and all round, in three turrets protected by eight feet of steel plating, and with all the operations of loading, priming, and firing effected by a galvanic battery worked by a single engineer stationed ten feet below the waters line, so that there is as good as no life to lose at the guns on his side.

As the Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet entirely reciprocates the humanitarian ideas expressed by the Admiral of the British Fleet, he trusts that the Admiral of the British Fleet will surrender without any unnecessary delay.

LETTER II.

From the Admiral of the British Fleet to the Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet.

High Seas, June 2, 187—.

SIR, I have the honour to acknowledge your reply to my letter of yesterday's date.

I regret to say that I am unable to comply with your request. The rules of the Service to which I have the honour to belong do not permit any surrender of Her Britannic Majesty's ships. I am forced to inform you that unless you surrender before to-morrow morning, it will be my painful duty to do my utmost to blow you, your ships, and the gallant men under your command, from off the face of the waters.

Trusting that, by your speedy surrender, you will avert this unpleasant necessity.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

NELSON IRONSIDE, *Admiral.*

(*Reply.*)

The Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet presents his compliments to the Admiral of the British Fleet, and begs to say that he is, now in a position to surrender, his flag-ship having, during the last six hours, unluckily run into and sunk her consort.

The Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet begs to intimate that had the force at his command been anything like equal to the force of the British Admiral, he (the Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet) would have considered it to be his duty to fight the battle out to the bitter end.

LETTER III.

From the Admiral of the British Fleet to the Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet.

High Seas, June 3, 187—.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge your reply to my letter of yesterday's date.

I feel in honour bound to inform you that, during the night, two of the Iron-clads under my command have sunk each other in the course of manœuvres, directed with a view to perfect their ramming practice. Under these circumstances, it has occured to me that perhaps you would prefer fighting to surrender. In ten minutes my flag-ship (the remaining vessel under my command) will have the honour of opening fire.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

NELSON IRONSIDE, *Admiral.*

(*Reply.*)

The Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet presents his compliments to the Admiral of the British Fleet, and begs to say that he accepts the offer contained in his kind invitation. Within the last half hour the Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet has received large reinforcements—so that the Fleet now consists of ten Iron-clads, with six feet of iron-plating protecting the water line, and six turrets apiece, with strength and system of guns in each turret as before stated. Under these circumstances, he will have much pleasure in accepting and returning the fire of the Admiral of the British Fleet.

LETTER IV.

From the Admiral of the British Fleet to the Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet.

High Seas, June 3, 187—.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge your reply to my leiter of this day's date.

I fear however I must disappoint you of the pleasure of a battle. During the last two minutes the *Wasp*, one of our recently-invented invisible floating gun-carriages, carrying one of our newly-invented quadruple-action 500 ton guns, loading itself, and firing automatically at the word of command, with her complement of torpedo-boats, has arrived here unexpectedly. You will see the desirability of at once ordering your Fleet to surrender.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

NELSON IRONSIDE, *Admiral.*

(Enclosure.)—The Admiral of the British Fleet requests the honour of the company of the Admiral and Officers of the Enemy's Fleet to dinner on the evening of the 3rd of June. R. S. V. P.

(*Reply.*)

The Admiral of the Enemy's Fleet presents his compliments to the Admiral of the British Fleet, and begs to surrender.

(Enclosure.)—The Admiral and some of the Officers of the Enemy's Fleet will have the honour of dining with the Admiral of the British Fleet this evening.

(Before the Right Hon. the President and a Special Jury.)

DIVORCE CAUSES.

RIPPINGALL *v.* RIPPINGALL AND DELACOUR.

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This was a petition by the husband, Captain Florence Thomas Stephen Rippingall for dissolution of marriage with his wife, Caroline Ella Rippingall, by reason of her adultery with the co-respondent, Mr. John Delacour, late a Lieutenant in the 11th Hussars. The respondent and co-respondent denied the charge. The case was of a peculiar character. In 1874 the petitioner, who was then a Captain in the 6th Royal Dragoon Guards, and about 25 years of age, was stationed with his troop at Hampton Court. He there made the acquaintance of the respondent, who was well connected and moving in good society, and they intermarried with the consent of both their families, on the 7th of October, 1874. The petitioner, who had an income of £2,000 a year, brought into settlement a sum of £21,000, and a reversionary interest in a sum of £5,000, to which the respondent was entitled, was also made the subject of settlement. After the honeymoon, which was spent in Paris, they returned to London and took a furnished residence in Green-street, where they lived until their separation in March, 1875. The respondent, who was barely 20 years of age, apprehensive of becoming a mother, persistently denied the petitioner the privileges of a husband, and the marriage was never consummated. It also appeared from the petitioner's statement that while cold to him she showed warmth for other men, particularly the co-respondent, whose acquaintance they made shortly after their marriage, and that his in remonstrated with her on the laxity of her conduct, and forbade the visits of Mr. Delacour. He in consequence determined to leave town, and everything was arranged for their removal into the country on the 17th of March, 1875. On the 16th of March the petitioner told his wife that he would dine at his Club that day. She in turn told him that she would dine with an old school fellow, who was also married, but whose husband's name she could not at the moment remember. The circumstance excited the petitioner's suspicions, and on leaving home after breakfast he went direct to Scotland yard, and by his directions a detective was sent to watch the house in Green-street. On the evening of the same day, about 20 minutes to 8 o'clock, Mrs. Rippingall left her home in a cab and drove to Albert-gate, Hyde Park, where she was joined by the co-respondent. They then drove to Sloane-street, where they alighted, and then walked together to a house in Motcombe-street, where Mr. Delacour has apartments, and where they remained until nearly 11 o'clock, when the respondent returned alone to Green-street. Her visit to Mr. Delacour, about which there was no contest, was reported to her husband on the following day. Pressed by him to say where she had been on the evening of the 16th, she declared that she had spent it at a house in Wilton-place with Mr. and Mrs. Seaforth, her old schoolfellow, but it turned out on inquiry that no such persons lived in Wilton-place, and the respondent ultimately admitted that the story was not the truth. Satisfied of her visit to the co-respondent, the petitioner parted from her at the Langham Hotel on the 18th of March, 1875, and filed his petition for divorce. The case, as above stated, was supported by the evidence of the petitioner, of his brother, who declared that Mrs. Rippingall, gave him, about 5 o'clock on the afternoon of the 16th of March, a note which, by her direction, was forwarded to Mr. Delacour, at the St. James's Club, of the detective employed to watch the house, and of another witness.

The respondent denied sending the note, but admitted the visit to Mr. Delacour under the circumstances stated and explained that it arose in this manner. On the 15th of March she accompanied a party of ladies and gentlemen, the co-respondent being one, to the theatre, and in the course of conversation mentioned that she was about to leave town on the 17th. He thereupon expressed a wish to call upon her on the evening of the 16th. She replied that she could not receive visitors, the house being in a state of confusion and it was then arranged (it was left in doubt from which of them the suggestion came) that she should spend the evening with him at his chambers. She declared that she entertained no preference for him, and that the relation that subsisted between them was that of ordinary friendship, and she denied in positive terms that any improper familiarity had ever passed between them.

It also appeared that in April, 1875, the respondent submitted herself to examination by three medical gentlemen—Dr. Henry Oldham, Dr. Henry Gervis, and Dr. Robert Barnes. They were called as witnesses on her behalf, and proved that she was still *virgo intacta*.

The co-respondent was also called. He stated that he was introduced to the respondent at Princes Club (of which all parties were members), that his visits to the house in Green-street were of an ordinary kind, and that no criminal intimacy had ever subsisted between them. He admitted that Mrs. Rippingall's visit to his rooms, which was made, according to his version, on his invitation, was calculated to compromise her, but declared that it did not occur to him at the time to look at it in its true light. The co-respondent's housekeeper deposed that when he received to his chambers, accompanied by the respondent, on the 16th of March, tea was ordered, and that she subsequently served it in the drawing-room.

His Lordship, in summing up the case to the jury, said the case was certainly an extraordinary one. Generally speaking, when a young woman made a secret appointment with a young man, only one inference could be drawn from it; but it should be remembered that the respondent had been leading a life of frivolous gaiety, passing her time in frivolous amusements, dwelling with a weak-minded husband, and more of what may be called taking the moral law into one's own hands and doing what one likes, than there used to be in the straight lines of the old school. It is pleasant to be free, and especially pleasant not to be always under the eye of prudes of either sex. But even the right of private judgment is responsible, and has its laws. If people choose to live by lights of their own, they ought to feel that self-guidance is at least as serious and difficult a charge as abject submission. To a slave it is permissible to be somewhat exempt from care. It is the compensation of his lot. When a woman is her own mistress, and is proud to be so to the extent of defying control, she combines all the difficulties of mastery and subordination, and is likely enough to fail in both capacities. She will neither command her own impulses nor obey the still small voice she can never quite stifle within.

The President of the Divorce Court, who should know something about it if anybody does, insists on the fact of the change, and expresses his loathing of it. He has to become painfully familiar with much that he loathes but has to regard rather as matter of business, and to measure by the hardcopper of law. In this cause he found, perhaps, less scope for his pity and more for his abhorrence than in the multitude of cases despatched only too easily and too rapidly day after day. He saw before him a picture of the world as it is, and as it must continue to be, unless it becomes either much better or much worse. It would require particular knowledge of the persons themselves to form any opinion as to the respective shares of folly in this sad tale. Perhaps it was a pardonable sense of gallantry that led the Judge to assume the gentleman to have been the chief offender, and to speak of him as wantonly imperilling the lady's reputation. On the face of the evidence the lady seems so thoroughly equal to the occasion in every stage of it, that we cannot help feeling she would hardly thank the Judge for the second part assigned to her. Anyhow, leading or led—that is, misleading or misled—here was a life spent in frivolous gaiety, in a world of foolish amusements, in a succession of flirtations, in running after pleasure wherever and with whomsoever it could be found, amid doubtful associations, at places and in circumstances where there could not but be danger, and if not worse than danger, at least contamination. Few of our readers will think the picture overdrawn; few will not supplement it from their own observation. It is too true, there never was a time when there existed more liberty of error, or more of the affectation that takes the form of error and thinks to reject its substance. It is vain to ask why it is. The mode of life has its attractions, and they are potent to certain natures. There is no reasoning against the baser instincts and the lower tastes. They must and will claim their way, and will sway a part of the world. If the Courts do nothing else, they tell those who will hear their senses what it all comes to.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

My dear, *Mr. Punch*,—For [some [centuries or at]least in talk or deed, in manners or style—can dress be omitted?—the age certainly is showing a very open contempt of the safeguards which once formed the advanced posts of propriety. The fashion of the day is to sail very near the wind, and to glory in seeming very like what most people would still be ashamed to be. They have the singular covetousness of desiring to add the miserable triumphs and petty prizes of the wrong course to the more homely advantage of the right. They who have altogether renounced the restraints of law and opinion, and who are so far honest as to be consistent, must feel their manor poached upon by men and women whose glory it is to seem much worse than they are. No doubt there is much more freedom of intercourse, more disregard of appearance, and more of what may be called taking the moral law into one's own hands and doing what one likes, than there used to be in the straight lines of the old school. It is pleasant to be free, and especially pleasant not to be always under the eye of prudes of either sex. But even the right of private judgment is responsible, and has its laws. If people choose to live by lights of their own, they ought to feel that self-guidance is at least as serious and difficult a charge as abject submission. To a slave it is permissible to be somewhat exempt from care. It is the compensation of his lot. When a woman is her own mistress, and is proud to be so to the extent of defying control, she combines all the difficulties of mastery and subordination, and is likely enough to fail in both capacities. She will neither command her own impulses nor obey the still small voice she can never quite stifle within.

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RIPPINGALL *v.* RIPPINGALL AND DELACOUR.

Mr. Serjeant Ballantine, Mr. Inderwick, Q. C., Mr. G. Browne, and Mr. W. Ballantine appeared for the petitioner; the Solicitor-General (Sir H. Giffard, Q. C.) Dr. Deane, Q. C., and Mr. Searle for the respondent; Mr. Serjeant Parry, Mr. Bayford, and Mr. Snagg (with whom was Sir H. James Q. C.), for the co-respondent.

This was a petition by the husband, Captain Florence Thomas Stephen Rippingall for dissolution of marriage with his wife, Caroline Ella Rippingall, by reason of her adultery with the co-respondent, Mr. John Delacour, late a Lieutenant in the 11th Hussars. The respondent and co-respondent denied the charge. The case was of a peculiar character. In 1874 the petitioner, who was then a Captain in the 6th Royal Dragoon Guards, and about 25 years of age, was stationed with his troop at Hampton Court. He there made the acquaintance of the respondent, who was well connected and moving in good society, and they intermarried with the consent of both their families, on the 7th of October, 1874. The petitioner, who had an income of £2,000 a year, brought into settlement a sum of £21,000, and a reversionary interest in a sum of £5,000, to which the respondent was entitled, was also made the subject of settlement. After the honeymoon, which was spent in Paris, they returned to London and took a furnished residence in Green-street, where they lived until their separation in March, 1875. The respondent, who was barely 20 years of age, apprehensive of becoming a mother, persistently denied the petitioner the privileges of a husband, and the marriage was never consummated. It also appeared from the petitioner's statement that while cold to him she showed warmth for other men, particularly the co-respondent, whose acquaintance they made shortly after their marriage, and that his in remonstrated with her on the laxity of her conduct, and forbade the visits of Mr. Delacour. He in consequence determined to leave town, and everything was arranged for their removal into the country on the 17th of March, 1875. On the 16th of March the petitioner told his wife that he would dine at his Club that day. She in turn told him that she would dine with an old school fellow, who was also married, but whose husband's name she could not at the moment remember. The circumstance excited the petitioner's suspicions, and on leaving home after breakfast he went direct to Scotland yard, and by his directions a detective was sent to watch the house in Green-street. On the evening of the same day, about 20 minutes to 8 o'clock, Mrs. Rippingall left her home in a cab and drove to Albert-gate, Hyde Park, where she was joined by the co-respondent. They then drove to Sloane-street, where they alighted, and then walked together to a house in Motcombe-street, where Mr. Delacour has apartments, and where they remained until nearly 11 o'clock, when the respondent returned alone to Green-street. Her visit to Mr. Delacour, about which there was no contest, was reported to her husband on the following day. Pressed by him to say where she had been on the evening of the 16th, she declared that she had spent it at a house in Wilton-place with Mr. and Mrs. Seaforth, her old schoolfellow, but it turned out on inquiry that no such persons lived in Wilton-place, and the respondent ultimately admitted that the story was not the truth. Satisfied of her visit to the co-respondent, the petitioner parted from her at the Langham Hotel on the 18th of March, 1875, and filed his petition for divorce. The case, as above stated, was supported by the evidence of the petitioner, of his brother, who declared that Mrs. Rippingall, gave him, about 5 o'clock on the afternoon of the 16th of March, a note which, by her direction, was forwarded to Mr. Delacour, at the St. James's Club, of the detective employed to watch the house, and of another witness.

The respondent denied sending the note, but admitted the visit to Mr. Delacour under the circumstances stated and explained that it arose in this manner. On the 15th of March she accompanied a party of ladies and gentlemen, the co-respondent being one, to the theatre, and in the course of conversation mentioned that she was about to leave town on the 17th. He thereupon expressed a wish to call upon her on the evening of the 16th. She replied that she could not receive visitors, the house being in a state of confusion and it was then arranged (it was left in doubt from which of them the suggestion came) that she should spend the evening with him at his chambers. She declared that she entertained no preference for him, and that the relation that subsisted between them was that of ordinary friendship, and she denied in positive terms that any improper familiarity had ever passed between them.

It also appeared that in April, 1875, the respondent submitted herself to examination by three medical gentlemen—Dr. Henry Oldham, Dr. Henry Gervis, and Dr. Robert Barnes. They were called as witnesses on her behalf, and proved that she was still *virgo intacta*.

The co-respondent was also called. He stated that he was introduced to the respondent at Princes Club (of which all parties were members), that his visits to the house in Green-street were of an ordinary kind, and that no criminal intimacy had ever subsisted between them. He admitted that Mrs. Rippingall's visit to his rooms, which was made, according to his version, on his invitation, was calculated to compromise her, but declared that it did not occur to him at the time to look at it in its true light. The co-respondent's housekeeper deposed that when he received to his chambers, accompanied by the respondent, on the 16th of March, tea was ordered, and that she subsequently served it in the drawing-room.

His Lordship, in summing up the case to the jury, said the case was certainly an extraordinary one. Generally speaking, when a young woman made a secret appointment with a young man, only one inference could be drawn from it; but it should be remembered that the respondent had been leading a life of frivolous gaiety, passing her time in frivolous amusements, dwelling with a weak-minded husband, and more of what may be called taking the moral law into one's own hands and doing what one likes, than there used to be in the straight lines of the old school. It is pleasant to be free, and especially pleasant not to be always under the eye of prudes of either sex. But even the right of private judgment is responsible, and has its laws. If people choose to live by lights of their own, they ought to feel that self-guidance is at least as serious and difficult a charge as abject submission. To a slave it is permissible to be somewhat exempt from care. It is the compensation of his lot. When a woman is her own mistress, and is proud to be so to the extent of defying control, she combines all the difficulties of mastery and subordination, and is likely enough to fail in both capacities. She will neither command her own impulses nor obey the still small voice she can never quite stifle within.

The President of the Divorce Court, who should know something about it if anybody does, insists on the fact of the change, and expresses his loathing of it. He has to become painfully familiar with much that he loathes but has to regard rather as matter of business, and to measure by the hardcopper of law. In this cause he found, perhaps, less scope for his pity and more for his abhorrence than in the multitude of cases despatched only too easily and too rapidly day after day. He saw before him a picture of the world as it is, and as it must continue to be, unless it becomes either much better or much worse. It would require particular knowledge of the persons themselves to form any opinion as to the respective shares of folly in this sad tale. Perhaps it was a pardonable sense of gallantry that led the Judge to assume the gentleman to have been the chief offender, and to speak of him as wantonly imperilling the lady's reputation. On the face of the evidence the lady seems so thoroughly equal to the occasion in every stage of it, that we cannot help feeling she would hardly thank the Judge for the second part assigned to her. Anyhow, leading or led—that is, misleading or misled—here was a life spent in frivolous gaiety, in a world of foolish amusements, in a succession of flirtations, in running after pleasure wherever and with whomsoever it could be found, amid doubtful associations, at places and in circumstances where there could not but be danger, and if not worse than danger, at least contamination. Few of our readers will think the picture overdrawn; few will not supplement it from their own observation. It is too true, there never was a time when there existed more liberty of error, or more of the affectation that takes the form of error and thinks to reject its substance. It is vain to ask why it is. The mode of life has its attractions, and they are potent to certain natures. There is no reasoning against the baser instincts and the lower tastes. They must and will claim their way, and will sway a part of the world. If the Courts do nothing else, they tell those who will hear their senses what it all comes to.

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Edith. "Oh dear! I am so tired!"

Loving Husband. "What has fatigued you, my Pippety-wippety Poppet?"

Edith. "Oh! I have had to hold up my parasol all the time I was in the carriage!"

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